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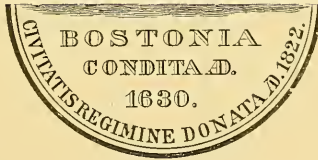
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HON. JOSIAH QUINCY,

Mayor of the City of Boston :

SIR: In compliance with the Revised Ordinances, the annual report of the operations and expenses of the Street Department for the year 1896 is herewith respectfully submitted.

ORGANIZATION.

The work of the department during the past year has been carried on under the same organization that was effected when the consolidated department was created in 1891 and as amended in 1895, the several divisions of the department being as follows :

Central Office.

Boston and Cambridge Bridges.

Bridge Division.

Ferry Division.

Paving Division.

Sanitary Division.

Sewer Division.

Street-Cleaning Division.

Street-Watering Division.

Each of the above divisions, with the exception of the Central Office and the Boston and Cambridge Bridges, is in charge of a Deputy Superintendent.

The Boston and Cambridge Bridges are managed by two commissioners, the Superintendent of Streets being the commissioner for the city of Boston, the other commissioner being appointed by the Mayor of the city of Cambridge.

The year 1896 has been a most successful one in the Street Department, inasmuch as in addition to the great amount of new construction accomplished, a large amount of most necessary work, which has been contemplated and recommended for years past, has been completed, or is under way.

More extensive study than is given under this résumé of the year's work, with detail of figures and expenditure, will be found in the division reports of the Deputy Superintendents.

MAINTENANCE. — APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

	1891-92. 13 months.	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97. 53 weeks.
Appropriations and transfers,	\$2,318,374 82	\$2,528,359 52	\$2,231,517 76	\$2,107,939 30	\$2,165,018 56	\$2,088,690 05
Expenditures . . .	2,299,621 33	2,487,095 87	2,174,095 35	2,038,555 91	2,140,177 63	2,134,944 49

The weekly pay-rolls of the department are made up to the close of work Thursdays, approved Fridays, and charged on the books of the City Treasurer Saturdays. Feb. 1, 1896, falling on a Saturday, one roll of the 1895 year was paid from the 1896 appropriation, thus making fifty-three payments. The amount of this roll was \$22,155.12.

The money assigned for Street Department work the past year was made available under the following appropriations :

First. — Maintenance : At the commencement of the financial year, February 1, the department estimates of the amounts necessary for the proper maintenance of the various divisions are submitted to His Honor the Mayor, who makes such recommendation as he may deem proper to the City Council. The appropriations passed for this purpose were as follows :

Central Office	\$19,000 00
Bridge Division	120,000 00
Cambridge and Boston Bridges	13,000 00
Ferry Division	218,000 00
Paving Division	630,000 00
Sanitary Division	435,000 00
Sewer Division	280,000 00
Street-Cleaning Division	300,000 00
Street-Watering Division	70,000 00
Total	\$2,085,000 00

Second. — Special work done under loan appropriations for permanent improvements: There was made available from loan money, \$25,000 for new or reconstruction work in each of the twenty-five wards, Ward 23 receiving \$25,000 additional, or a total of \$650,000 for all.

In addition to the above amount, balances and orders passed during the year for special items amounted as follows:

Bridge Division	.	.	.	.	.	\$55,543 86
Ferry Division	742 94
Paving Division	362,931 99
Sewer Division	205,343 80
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Total	\$624,562 59

Third. — In 1891 an Act was passed by the Legislature entitled, "An Act Relating to the Location, Laying Out, and Construction of Highways in the City of Boston." (Chap. 323.) From this fund new streets and sewers assessable on the abutting property are built. The amount expended the past year was:

Streets	\$174,961 88
Sewers	435,538 20
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Total	\$610,500 08

Fourth. — In 1895 an Act was passed by the Legislature, entitled, "An Act to Provide for the Laying Out and Construction of Certain Highways in the City of Boston" (commonly known as the Boulevard Act). (Chap. 334.) The amount expended this year was as follows:

Streets	\$703,118 93
Sewers	143,759 89
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Total	\$846,878 82

Fifth. — In 1896 an Act was passed by the Legislature, entitled, "An Act Relative to Stony brook in the city of Boston." (Chap. 530.) \$500,000. The amount expended this year was \$98,150.74.

Sixth. — In 1895 an Act was passed by the Legislature, entitled, "An Act Relative to the Establishment of a New Ferry Landing in the city of Boston." (Chap. 435.) \$500,000. The amount expended this year was \$21,961.61.

Seventh. — In 1896 an Act was passed by the Legislature, entitled, "An Act to Provide for a Union Station for Passengers on Railroads entering the southerly part of the city of Boston." (Chap. 516.) The amount expended this year was as follows:

Sewers \$1,847 02

Thus the expenditures under the several appropriations of the year 1896 were as follows:

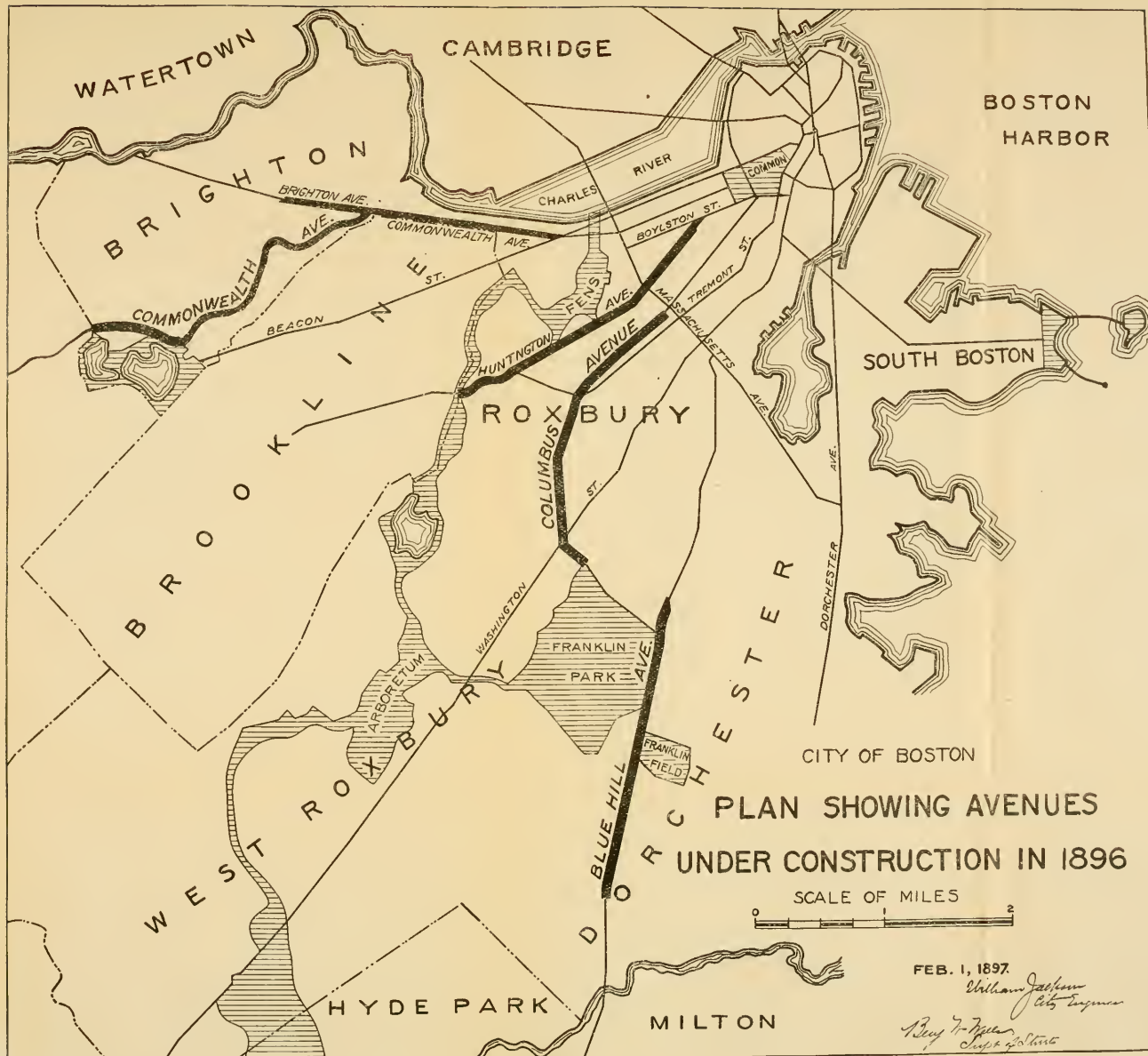
Maintenance	\$2,134,944 49
Street Improvements (by wards).	677,900 11
Bridge, specials.	27,172 77
Ferry, specials	742 94
Paving, specials	199,195 79
Sewer, specials	70,084 42
Laying Out and Construction of Highways	610,500 08
Blue Hill and Other Avenues (Boulevard Act)	846,878 82
Stony Brook Improvement	98,150 74
New Ferry Landing	21,961 61
South Union Station	1,847 02
Total	<hr/> \$4,689,378 79

CONSTRUCTION WORK, STREETS AND AVENUES UNDER "323" ACT.

The following streets and avenues were under construction during the year, and have been wholly or partially completed at an expenditure of \$230,194.03 for both sewer and surface work:

Abbotsford street.
Audubon road.
Bay State road.
Boylston street.
Brighton avenue.

Chamberlain street.
Clinton street.
Fenelon street.
Fullerton street
Gaylord street.



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Geneva avenue.
Granby street.
Greenbrier street
Harvard avenue.
Harvard street.
Ivy street.
Josephine street.
Kenmore street.
Lauriat avenue.
Morse street.
Newbury street.

Norway street.
Parker street.
Peterborough street.
Ruggles street.
Sherborn street.
St. Alphonsus street.
St. Germain street.
Turner street.
Vancouver street.
Wilder street.
Wolcott street.

The work on the Boulevards commenced in 1895, has made great progress this year. The original appropriation for the reconstruction and building of the four avenues, including land damages, was \$2,800,000. The four avenues are:

First: Blue Hill avenue.

Second: Columbus avenue.

Third: Commonwealth avenue.

Fourth: Huntington avenue.

In addition, Brighton avenue was ordered and constructed under a special Act relating to the "Laying Out and Construction of Highways Act."

The general design of the five radial avenues in their relation to city parks and other points of interest to the public is shown roughly in the accompanying sketch, the new portions being marked in heavy black lines.

BLUE HILL AVENUE.

From the diagram it will be seen that Blue Hill avenue will form the most direct means of connection with Milton and the Blue Hills Reservation of the Metropolitan Park Commission, and, passing as it does the whole length of Franklin Park and Field, and through a section noted for its beautiful landscape views, it will be valued not only as a driveway for pleasure carriages, but as a most desirable residential street convenient for electrical transit. One roadway of this avenue in Telford macadam was built this year, and the other will be completed during the working season of 1897 to Walk Hill street. The remaining part from Walk Hill street to Mattapan, involving the abolishment of the grade crossing of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, should be ordered as soon as possible.

COLUMBUS AVENUE.

From Massachusetts avenue to within sixty feet north of Station street has been constructed as an asphalt roadway fifty-four feet in width from curb to curb, including a double track with full grooved rails sixty feet long, flush in guard and tread, with the asphalt surface. These rails were especially designed and constructed for this avenue, and are put to trial for the first time, and, if successful, will probably become the standard rail for asphalt streets. It is the only sample of this style of construction in the city.

From Massachusetts avenue to Terry street is laid with Trinidad Lake asphalt. From Terry street to sixty feet north of Station street with Sicilian Rock asphalt.

The section from Roxbury Crossing to Ritchie street is at present occupied with Stony brook construction, and its paved surface will be laid as soon as this and other underground work are completed.

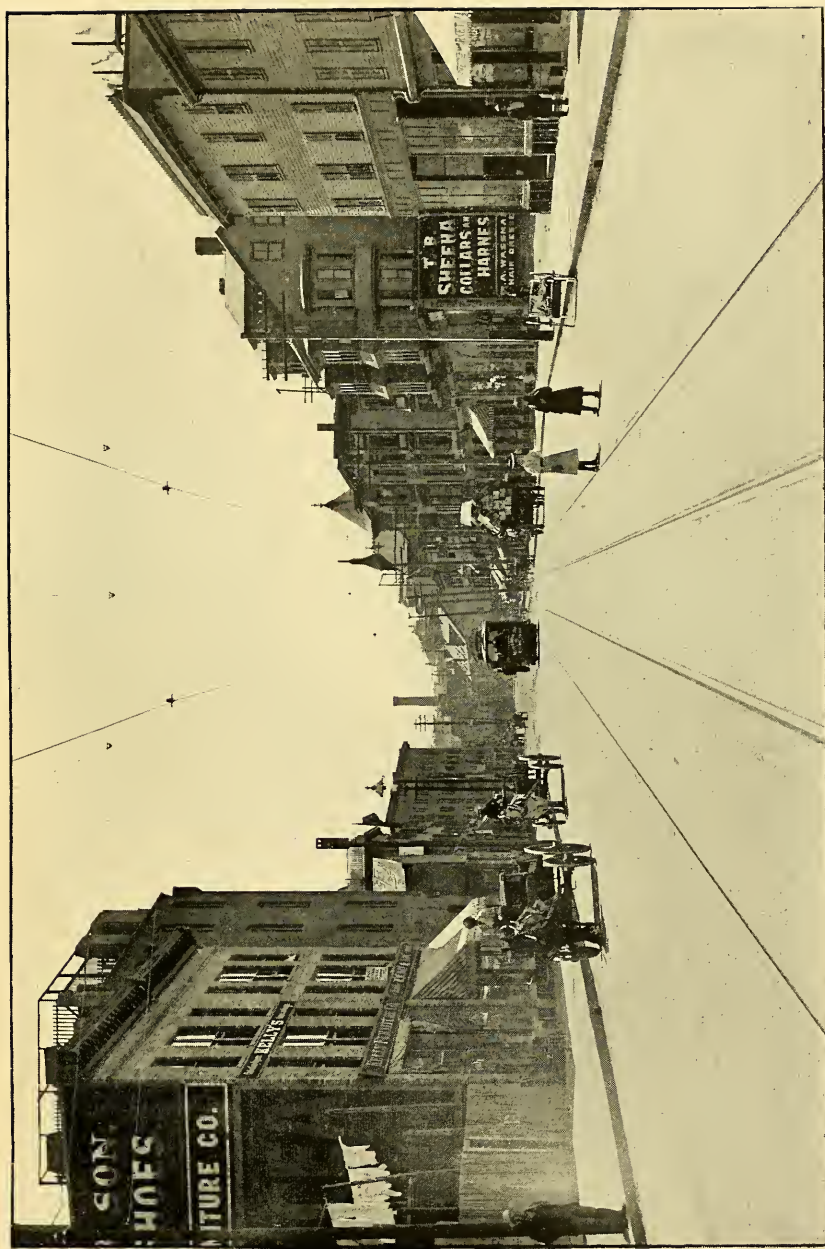
In the section from Ritchie street to West Walnut park the sewer is nearly finished, and this section will be ready in the early summer for contract for the street surface.

The last section from West Walnut park to Walnut avenue is built of Telford macadam with granite edgestone and brick sidewalks. This section opens into Franklin Park, making Columbus avenue the most direct line to the Park from the city proper.

COMMONWEALTH-AVENUE EXTENSION.

A portion of the avenue, known as Commonwealth-avenue extension, built under the "Boulevard" Act, extending from Chestnut Hill avenue to the Newton line, was partly sewered last year. This year the sewers have been completed, water mains laid, and the construction of the roadway with Telford macadam finished.

The width is one hundred and twenty feet and a double roadway of twelve-inch Telford macadam has been constructed during the past year. This extension of the avenue forms a connecting link between Boston and Newton, so that a continuous drive is possible without leaving the boulevard from the Public Garden to the Charles river at Auburndale, or a distance of 11.14 miles. Their total length in Boston is 8.06 miles, and the total cost, exclusive of land damages, will be within the total appropriations therefor. The details of construction and of items of interest relating to the above-named boulevards may be gathered from the City Engineer's report.



COLUMBUS AVENUE — LOOKING SOUTHWEST FROM PRENTISS STREET TOWARD ROXBURY CROSSING,
SHOWING ASPHALT SURFACE AND CAR TRACKS.

COMMONWEALTH AVENUE.

That portion of Commonwealth avenue laid out under the general law still remains to be finished.

Much work has been done this year, the most important of which was the building of the bridge over tracks of the Boston & Albany Railroad at Cottage Farm, a most substantial structure of stone and iron, with an asphalt surface.

Much work has also been done on the sidewalks and roadways, and the widening at a point beyond Washington street carried on.

There remains a considerable further amount of work to be done; the section from Warren to Chestnut Hill avenues, to cost exclusive of sewers \$167,000, although one roadway of the entire avenue is now in a safe and passable condition.

The construction of this avenue depends on an annual appropriation, and the expenditure to date is within the engineer's estimate.

The speedway, planned in 1895, to be built on the southerly side of Commonwealth avenue, starting at Brighton avenue and extending to Cottage-Farm bridge, a distance of five-eighths of a mile, was constructed this year. Great care was taken, and the best advice of race-track experts solicited, and under their direction a loam track was constructed. As this matter of speedways has been agitated somewhat the past year, I append herewith a letter written to His Honor the Mayor, covering the views of this department:

STREET DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL,
BOSTON, Dec. 9, 1896.

HON. JOSIAH QUINCY, *Mayor*:

SIR: I herewith inclose, without the approval of this department, the request of the Board of Aldermen and citizens' petition for the construction of a speedway on Blue Hill avenue, between Morton street and Talbot avenue.

I am a firm believer in the establishment of a speedway, and this year built such a road at Brighton, and this would have been more successful had the lay of the land been more favorable. The drawbacks discovered on this location are the same that would exist on Blue Hill avenue. The proper construction of a speedway calls for a deep loam road construction similar to a race track. On this there can be no crosswalks, and cross streets cause a depression, at the point of intersection, and the crossing of teams makes speeding dangerous.

The location should also be such that the speedway could be closed within certain hours, so that heavy travel could be kept out without a police watch such as has been necessary on Commonwealth avenue. The part of Blue Hill avenue asked for this purpose has running into it cross streets. Residents on these streets and teams entering for the delivery of ice, coal and other purposes must cross or follow

the speedway. Also, to take the cars which run through the central space of the avenue, people must cross without crosswalks ; and the nature of a loam road makes this very muddy in wet weather.

The building up in the near future of the land bordering on the speedway would ruin the road during operations ; and thereafter, the householders might properly object to restrictions as to driving, or standing a team opposite their houses, which must be enforced if the object of the drive is to be maintained. The very considerable expense attending the construction of a road of this kind should prevent the location of a speedway in any but a fairly permanent locality. In regard to the Blue Hill location the avenue was laid out under chapter 323 of the Acts of 1891 and amendments thereto, and a definite construction was ordered by the Street Commissioners. One roadway has been completed, and the other let by contract, in accordance with this order. Inasmuch as Blue Hill avenue is a through turnpike road, had a speedway been contemplated, the lay out would have been different.

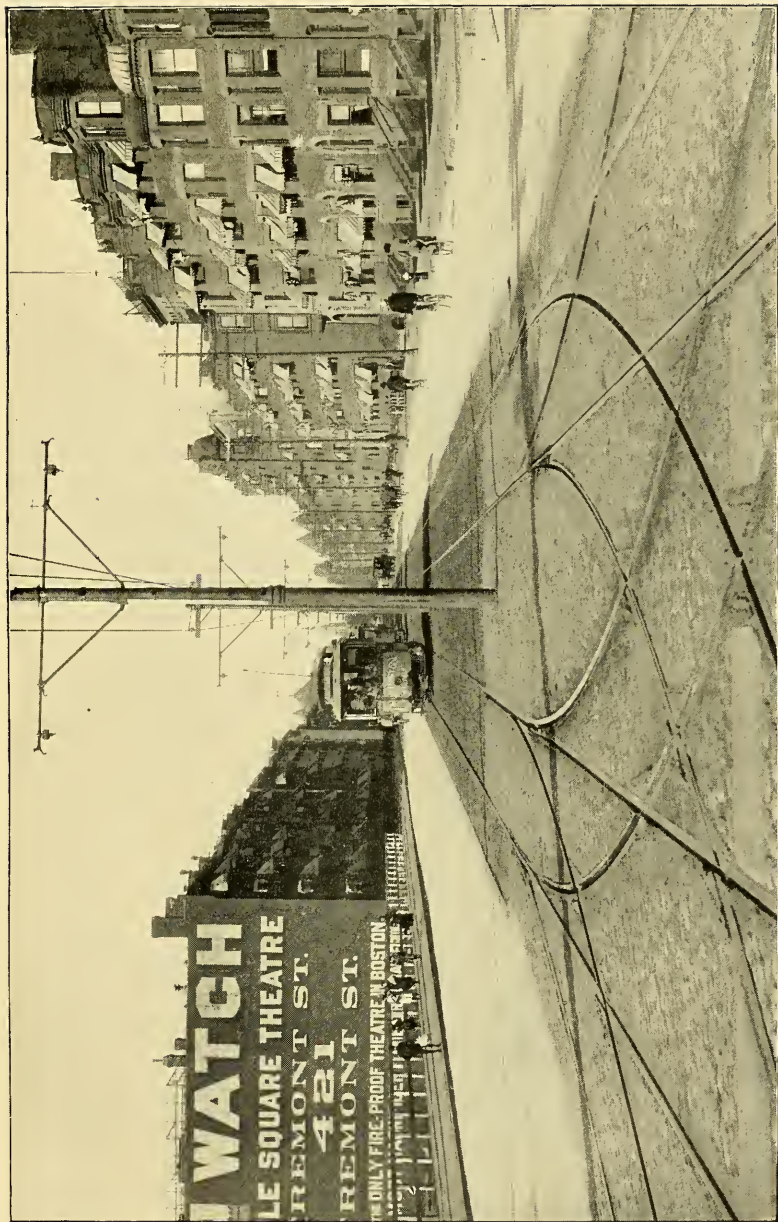
On the Brighton speedway I have had located an inspector for the sole purpose of determining its value to the horsemen and lovers of fast driving, and his reports show that the idea is a most excellent one ; but experience there proves my argument that a straight stretch of land should be found along the line of the parkways, on the river front, or in a reserved central space on some broad avenue, where travel of all kinds except the light and fast could be kept off without detriment to the surrounding property or an unnecessary expense to the police appropriation.

Respectfully submitted,
BENJ. W. WELLS,
Superintendent of Streets.

As an outcome of a meeting held at this office of some of the fast horse owners in Boston, a committee was appointed, and the matter laid before the Legislative Committee on Metropolitan Affairs, requesting that an appropriation be provided by the Metropolitan Park Commissioners for the building of a speedway, as suggested in this letter.

HUNTINGTON AVENUE.

From Copley square to Francis street has been entirely reconstructed the past year, widened to one hundred feet, with a central reserved space for the West End Street Railway tracks twenty-five feet wide ; and from Francis street to the Brookline line it is finished as a single roadway fifty-four feet in width. All of Telford macadam except the part between the Boston & Albany Railroad bridge and Gainsborough street, which is laid in Sicilian Rock asphalt. This avenue is a direct thoroughfare to Brookline and the Back Bay parks, and is especially convenient for access to the Mechanics Building, used as it is for exhibition purposes that requires the transportation of bulky merchandise.



HUNTINGTON AVENUE AT MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE—SHOWING ASPHALT SURFACE
AND RESERVED SPACE.

BRIGHTON AVENUE.

The avenue extends from Commonwealth avenue to Union square, and is 100 feet wide with a twenty-five foot reserved space for the tracks of the West End Street Railway Company. It is built of Telford macadam, and also has two roadways. This should be extended in a straight line to the Watertown bridge, and would then become a popular drive to Waltham.

These beautiful avenues, costing large sums of money, are bound to be greatly appreciated, and the increase in land values and the improvement in property will more than repay for the outlay.

Vast areas of land, formerly of little value, are now made available by the introduction through these new avenues of sewers, water, gas, electric light, and electric cars.

CLINTON-STREET WIDENING.

Another improvement, which will bring back many fold its cost, is the widening of Clinton street at its junction with Commercial street. This narrow street was like the neck of a bottle. At all hours of the day in this busy locality might be found delays and blockades of teams, extending many squares, from this cause. The widening at this point has fully overcome the difficulty, and is a great relief.

PAVING DIVISION.

APPROPRIATION.

Maintenance.	Specials.
\$630,000 00	\$1,198,127 93

EXPENDITURE.

Maintenance.	Specials.
\$628,675 46	\$877,095 90

For expenditures under Laying Out and Construction of Highways and Blue Hill and Other Avenues, see page 3.

This division has charge of the maintenance and reconstruction of about four hundred and fifty-nine (459) miles of streets.

These streets include all the different kinds of construction, from the simple gravel road for light suburban travel to the heavy paved streets with concrete base.

The immense quantities of Telford and cracked stone to be required by the city in road building operations of the year, and to be furnished by the Paving Division, was a subject of careful study and preparation during the winter months. The various crushers were inspected, and many changes found necessary, both as regards the economy of operation and in the line of improvement in the quality of the output. Screens were changed, platforms raised, boilers and machinery overhauled, and every effort made to improve the quality of stone used on the streets.

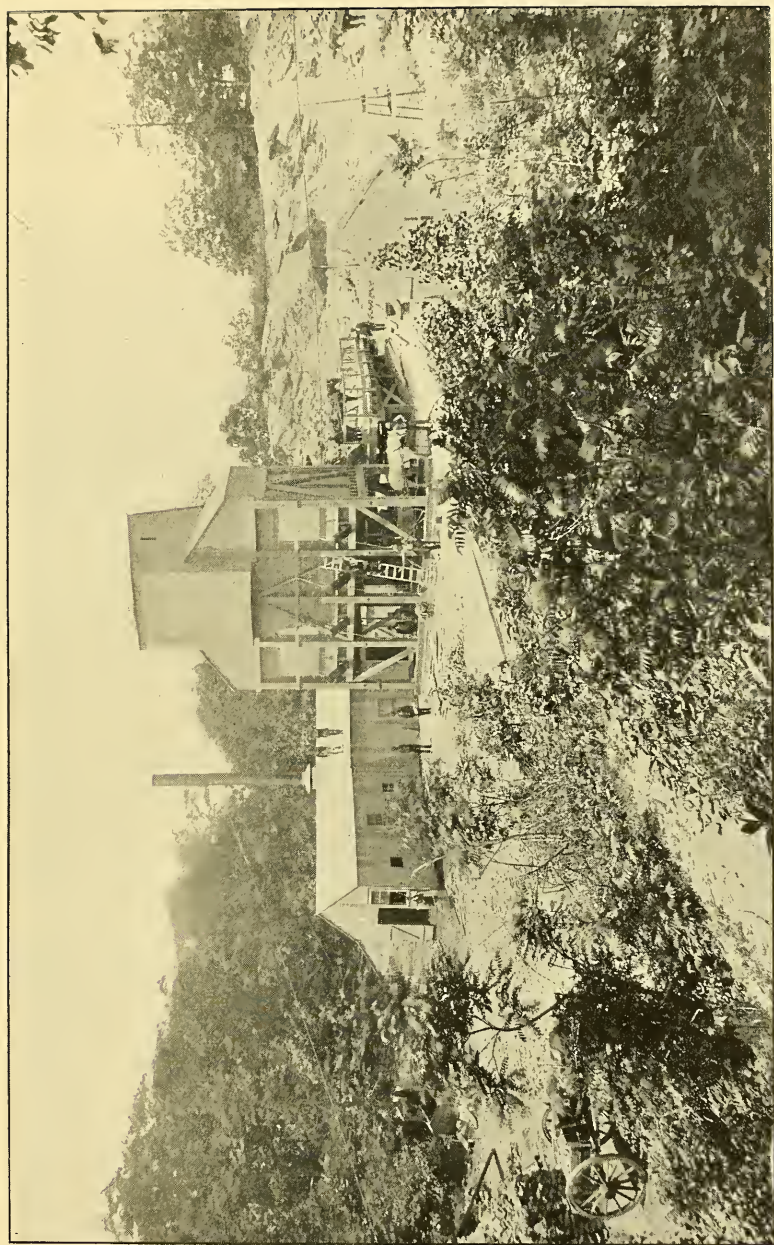
A new crushing plant was built at Bleiler's Ledge on Heath street. The stone in this ledge has been known for many years for its hardness. A portion of this plant was brought from Kenney's Ledge where a double crusher had been set up in 1895. The poor quality of the stone in that ledge and the small quantity remaining made it advisable not to continue the operation of a large plant at that point.

To replace the Roslindale crusher, which was a small, crude, flat screen affair, supplied with stone from various unreliable sources, a model plant was erected on Centre street, West Roxbury, in a large quarry of most excellent stone, adjacent to an extensive territory needing in the near future a great supply of cracked stone. This section of the city has been growing very rapidly, and street improvement has not kept pace with development of property, owing to the lack of suitable road stock in the neighborhood for the avenues, new streets, street improvements, and repairs.

CRACKED STONE, BALLAST OR TELFORD.

Output of stone from city crushers.

	Crushed Stone. Tons.	Telford. Tons.
Bleiler's ledge.....	25,638	925
Centre street crusher.....	9,777	
Chestnut Hill avenue crusher.....	17,757	
Codman street ledge.....	12,668	291
Commonwealth avenue ledge..	16,134	10,217
Dimock street crusher.....	36,899	
Kenney street ledge.....	19,505	1,377
Rosseter street ledge.....	19,016	3,544
Totals.....	157,394	16,354



HEATH STREET CRUSHER, BLEILERS LEDGE, ROXBURY.

Greater care was exercised in the care and cleaning of the streets covered by the paving division and a special patrol service for the collection of waste paper, loose stones, etc., extended to the sections of the city not covered by the street-cleaning division.

This division also has charge of the placing of street signs. The work this year was unusually extensive owing to the change in the ward lines, making necessary many new signs.

PERMITS.

Under the law and by ordinance, permits, allowing certain work to be done on or within the streets, must be obtained from the Superintendent of Streets. This requires the maintenance of a special force by the Paving Division for the purpose of issuing and keeping track of the permits, and also requires the services of a large number of inspectors whose duty it is to see that the conditions of the permits are not violated. No charge has heretofore been made.

Commencing Jan. 1, 1897, regulations for payment were adopted, and the following circular issued :

CITY OF BOSTON

STREET DEPARTMENT.

Notice to Corporations and Contractors.

On and after Jan. 1, 1897, a charge will be made for each permit issued from the Permit Office of this Department in accordance with the following schedule: —

Class A, \$1.00 each.

Permits for the following purposes :

Ordinary excavations.

Laying drains.

Laying wires, conduits, and railroad tracks.

Occupying streets for erecting and repairing buildings, and other purposes connected with buildings, when they do not become the part of another permit.

Placing electric poles in the streets.

Placing coal holes and vaults under the sidewalks.

Moving buildings.

Feeding horses.

Selling fruit, etc., from buildings.

Occupying sidewalks for more than ten minutes for the purpose of loading and unloading goods, (yearly permit.)

Driving cattle.

Wearing advertisement coat and hat, (yearly permit.)

Making emergency openings.

Class B, \$0.25 each.

Permits for the following purposes :

Raising and lowering goods into and from buildings.

Erecting signs.

Erecting and repairing awnings.

Selling from vehicles, pedlers, class 1.

Selling from receptacles, pedlers, class 2.

Selling from areas, pedlers, class 4.

Projecting electric lamps.

Distributing fine sand on pavements.

Occupying sidewalk and portion of street for cleaning snow from roofs of buildings, (yearly permit.)

Watering streets with watering carts.

On extension of permits, there will be a charge of \$0.25 each.

BENJ. W. WELLS,

Superintendent of Streets.

This system has thus far worked well, and the city put in receipt of an estimated income of from twenty to thirty thousand dollars a year.

Even with the most rigid inspection, however, the annual loss to the city by the disturbance of the streets by the corporations amounts to many thousands of dollars, and I would recommend that the law be so amended as to require a deposit by the corporations of a sum sufficient to pay for the replacing of the streets in proper condition, and that the city undertake that work.

The enforcement of the ordinance requiring a permit to parties selling from area, window or sidewalk has led to better conditions, and is appreciated not only by the merchants but the public.

The following clause in their permits has been maintained and better results as regards the cleanliness of streets in certain localities brought about :

CITY OF BOSTON.

Street Department Regulations.

This permit will be granted only to persons who are tenants of the first story or basement of the buildings from which they sell, and who are tax-payers of the City of Boston, and upon the express condition that the person to whom it is issued shall keep the street, within fifty feet of his premises, free from all refuse paper and litter created by the sale or handling of his wares. This permit must be shown to police officers or any authorized person on application.

Failure to observe these regulations will be a sufficient cause for the revocation of this permit.

BENJ. W. WELLS,

Superintendent of Streets of the City of Boston.

The maintenance appropriation allowed for the Paving Division is out of proportion to the demands made upon it.

With the great increase of street mileage the past few years, the appropriation allowed for the maintenance has grown less, making it impossible to adopt a proper system whereby the streets might be kept in such constant repair that reconstruction would be required at less frequent intervals.

The need of a large outlay for repaving the business section of the city is most apparent. Other large cities, such as New York and Philadelphia, have in the past few years repaved immense areas of streets ruined by the process of placing underground wires, pipes, etc. A special loan of \$500,000, outside the debt limit, should be authorized by the Legislature for the purpose of putting the down-town pavements in a condition in accordance with the standard of a first-class city. The tendency in many of the large cities has been towards asphalt, but owing to the severity of the winters in this city, the greater amount of snowfall and icy rains, I believe that the modern form of granite block paving on concrete base is the most desirable pavement for the heavy travelled business section.

Asphalt paving, however, should be used more extensively in many of the sections of the city where macadam roads are now maintained, owing to the low cost of maintenance, freedom from mud and dust, comparative noiselessness, and the more healthful conditions brought about by its use.

Owing to the small appropriations made for street reconstruction, the department has not been able to extend the asphalt paving as much as would have been desirable. Asphalt paving in addition to Columbus and Huntington avenues, has been extended as far as present conditions would allow to the sections where narrow streets and tenement houses exist.

SEWER DIVISION.

Appropriation.

Maintenance.	Specials.
\$280,000 00.	\$705,343 80.

Expenditure.

Maintenance.	Specials.
\$276,615 25.	\$170,082 18.

For expenditures under Laying-Out and Construction of Highways and Blue Hill and Other Avenues, see page 3.

The Sewer Division has charge of the construction and maintenance of all the sewers and sewerage works.

The mileage of sewers Feb. 1, 1897, is estimated to be 446 miles.

One hundred and sixteen thousand and eight (116,008) linear feet of sewers have been built during the past year by the city by contract or day labor, and thirty-eight thousand two hundred and forty-two (38,242) linear feet have been built by private parties according to the plans, and under the inspection of this division, and accepted under the usual forms of release.

CANAL-STREET SEWER SYSTEM.

As far back as 1887, attention was called to the condition of the Canal-street sewer system. A system of sewers filled to the top of the arch for over thirteen years, without being cleaned, most surely needed the immediate attention of this department, more especially as it is located in the heart of the city.

The only proper remedy is to build a main sewer across the city, from the east-side intercepting sewer, which is about four feet lower in grade than the west-side intercepting sewer, which, when built, will immediately drain out all the branch sewers of the district, and will also admit of placing cellars of new buildings at a much lower grade than formerly. In the annual report of the Superintendent of Streets, of 1891, and in all succeeding reports, the urgent need of reconstruction in this district has been dwelt upon. In the 1891 report, to quote briefly:

“Many of the old wooden sewers in the city proper are in very bad condition, and are really ready to fall in, notably those in Beverly, Billerica and Commercial streets. The district drained by Canal street, and bounded approximately by Causeway, Beverly, Endicott, Hanover, Portland and Merrimac streets, is in as bad condition, from a sanitary point of view, as can be imagined. All that portion of the city west of Hanover street, extending to the boundaries named, has been partly or wholly filled with water and accumulated sewage since 1883.”

The report of 1892 said:

“The condition of the first of these, the Canal-street district, was fully described last year. It is not necessary to go into a full explanation this year. Suffice it to say that the sewers are filled from one to three feet with sewage



OLD SEWER IN CENTRAL STREET, CANAL-STREET RELIEF SEWER.

sludge, which has been accumulating now about ten years. It is doubtful if there could be anywhere found sewers in worse condition than some in this district. Much of the district drained by these sewers is occupied by crowded tenement houses."

This was the condition four years ago. The need of further comment as to the necessity of pushing the work is unnecessary. Until this year, however, no action was taken. On the urgent recommendation of this department the City Council passed an appropriation of \$25,000 for the beginning of this improvement, and the work is well started. This amount will complete the section from the outlet at Atlantic avenue and Central street to a point near Chatham row. From there a further loan of \$75,000 will be necessary, and will, doubtless, be provided the coming year.

FOREST-AVENUE SECTION.

No work undertaken by this department relating to drainage is more manifestly in the interests of the public health than that providing for the sewerage of this fast developing section. It is well known that no sewer system or outlet could be built in this locality until the Dorchester interceptor should have been extended far enough to connect therewith. This is not likely to happen for ten or fifteen years. By providing a pumping plant, however, so as to lift the sewage something less than twenty feet, it could be discharged into an existing sewer.

A former loan to provide for this work was made in 1895, the sum appropriated being \$19,400. Since that time, however, in the development of the plans of Blue Hill avenue, it was found that a long stretch of sewers would have to be constructed therein without an outlet, but that if an increased depth of sewer and an increase of the lift of the pumps at this pumping station were made, at a slightly greater expense, this whole difficulty would be overcome.

Accordingly, the plans were changed, giving a greater depth of wheel-pits, making the whole system ample to take care of both territories. The sum of \$6,000 is therefore necessary in order that the plan, as already made, may be carried on to completion, the ironwork and machinery having already been designed with this end in view.

SHAMROCK-STREET OUTLET.

Previous to 1887, a single wooden outlet sewer, four feet by four feet, was in existence at the junction of Shamrock

street and Freeport street (then Commercial street), being the old outlet of the Shamrock-street sewer. As the Dorchester interceptor terminated at this point, this outlet served as an overflow outlet for both sewers, being provided with proper tide-gates. Later the interceptor was extended along the water front toward Neponset, and two more sets of tide-gates were established, to relieve the interceptor during storms.

During the year 1895, the filling of the flats adjoining the City's taking by the owning abutters began to approach the outlets, and proceeding at a rapid rate it has now extended to and across the outlets, which are therefore practically closed. It was necessary to make an additional taking, and to extend the outlet for a considerable distance, and ultimately to the main channel, at an estimated cost of about \$8,000.

The necessity for this immediate construction may be appreciated from the fact that it is the only existing overflow for the Dorchester interceptor between the main interceptor on Mt. Vernon street and Davenport brook. A heavy rainfall would undoubtedly cause extensive backing up of the sewers in all this part of Dorchester, flooding of cellars, leading to claims and suits for damages without limit, if this outlet had not been provided for. An appropriation was secured and the work is nearly finished.

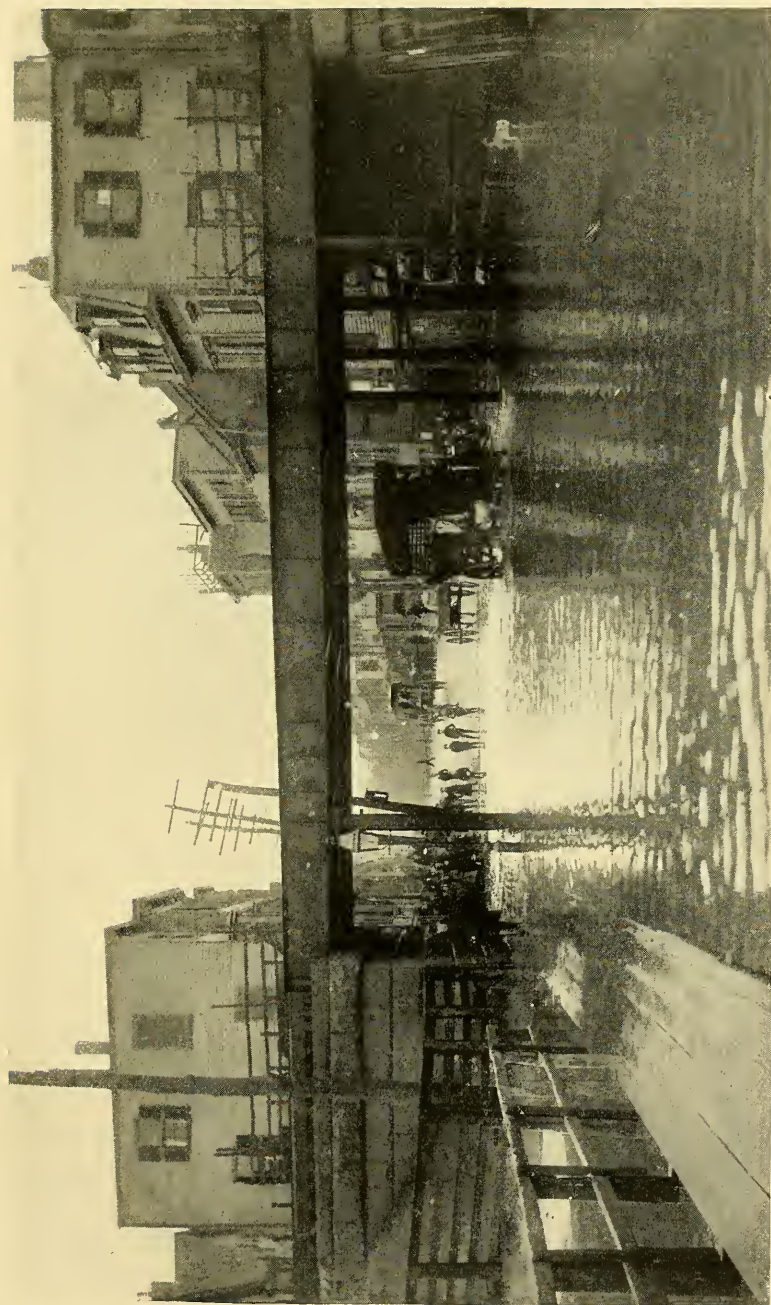
DORCHESTER BROOK.

During the past year there has been constructed that portion of Dorchester brook between Norfolk avenue and Clifton street mentioned in last year's report. The construction of the old brook channel being poor and having gone to pieces, it became necessary that this brook be reconstructed. In the reconstruction of the same, the lines of the old channel were abandoned and the new sewer built through a proposed street. One of the principal reasons for reconstruction was on account of the necessity of increased size.

The same question of size comes up on this brook for that portion between Lawrence avenue and the connection, and also from the branch to Columbia street. This brook as at present constituted carries both surface water and house drainage, and is overloaded; and in all probability the brook channel will have to be used for surface water and a house sewer put through, discharging into the interceptor.

GUILD ROW RELIEF SEWER.

This is a piece of sewer work that has been advocated in previous reports for a number of years, and the old sewer



D STREET, UNDER N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R., DURING HEAVY RAIN JAN. 21, 1897.

has been a continual source of complaint from the abutters on account of its small size and high level. During the past year the sewer has been reconstructed on a low level with increased size, and removes all trouble and complaints for the future from this locality.

B AND SEVENTH STREETS OUTLET.

In the beginning of the year the government made an appropriation for the construction of this outlet of \$35,000. This was a very difficult piece of work, having to cross the tracks of the New England Railroad, but the city has constructed this outlet of ample size clear to the channel in the South Bay. This will remove all trouble in this locality and is the beginning of an extensive scheme of furnishing drainage for this end of South Boston.

The city contemplates proceeding with this system by rebuilding the sewer on Dorchester avenue from the outlet to D street, and continuing up D street to Eighth street. The relief to be afforded by these sewers is very much needed, and especially for that part of D street which is under the Old Colony Railroad tracks, where it is always flooded whenever a storm and a high tide come together, as can be seen by the annexed picture.

STONY-BROOK IMPROVEMENT.

The largest single sewer undertaking has been the commencement of the construction of the extension of the Stony-brook channels.

The following is a brief history of Stony brook :

Stony Brook first claimed the attention of the Legislature in 1868, when an act was passed authorizing the city of Boston and the town of West Roxbury to divert the waters out of the channel for the purpose of improving said brook. This act was amended in 1879 by giving said city and town authority to delegate to commissioners the powers granted them by the Acts of 1868. In 1874, after the annexation of West Roxbury, an act was passed, granting to the city of Boston the same powers, which, by the Act of 1868, were vested in the city of Boston and the town of West Roxbury. In all of these acts it was provided that the cost of the works might be assessed on the abutting property.

The channel, as it existed in 1886, was severely tested by the disastrous floods of February of that year, and proved to be entirely too small to handle the water which was de-

livered. The inadequacy of the existing structure was particularly evident in that portion of the valley lying below Roxbury Crossing, where an area of sixty-three acres was flooded, having more than one hundred buildings.

The occurrence of this flood led to the immediate appointment by the city government of a commission of experts to devise a plan for the prevention of floods in the future. This commission recommended in brief:

First. That in order to prevent floods in Roxbury at, and below Roxbury Crossing, a channel be at once constructed, capable of discharging two thousand cubic feet per second, extending from a point seven hundred feet above said crossing to the point of Back Bay park, a distance of forty-five hundred feet.

Second. That gradually, as West Roxbury became built up, thereby increasing the amount of flood discharge, the new channel should be extended up stream reaching finally the Hyde Park line.

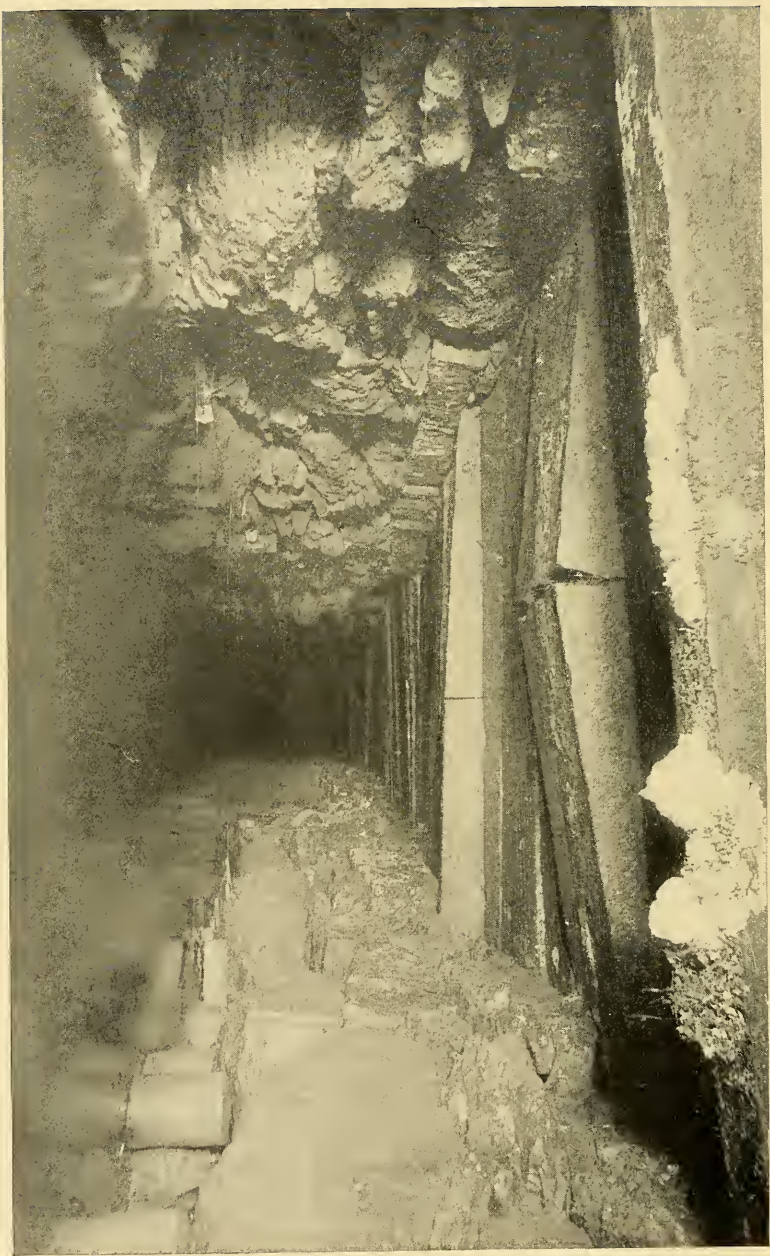
Third. If West Roxbury should become a thoroughly urban district, the channel should be constructed to Neponset river, which, in conjunction with the channel, would handle the ultimate amount that would be delivered.

Steps were immediately taken to carry out the first part of the commissioners' recommendation, viz.: a new channel from a point about seven hundred feet above Roxbury crossing to the Back Bay park. In 1887 legislation was granted authorizing the city of Boston to build a new channel for, and to alter course of, Stony brook, within the above limits; the cost of same to be met by issuing a loan of \$500,000 outside the debt limit. This work was begun immediately and completed early in 1889.

The first step toward carrying out the second recommendation of the commissioners, the extension of the channel up stream into the Roxbury District, was made in 1895, when a section of the channel, about 2,300 feet in length, was built in connection with the separation of grades on the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, for which the necessary special legislation was obtained in 1892-94.

In this section, extending from the sharp turn of the brook, near the railroad, and about 300 feet west of Amory street, to a point about 300 feet south of Boylston station, an old open channel was located on the site of the proposed widening of the embankment, which rendered it imperative that the new channel be constructed in advance of said embankment.

In 1896 legislation was asked from the State Legislature necessary to enable the department to divert and enlarge the



OLD STONE CHANNELS, STONY BROOK, CULVERT STREET.

channel of Stony brook between the section of the commissioners' channel, built in 1887-88, and the section built in 1895, and also the right to borrow outside the debt limit the money for carrying on this work. The length of the proposed improvement was about 3,000 feet, and the estimated cost in round numbers, \$500,000. This request was granted and the act was passed.

The opportunity to do the work at this time made it possible to relocate the channel of the brook within the lines of new Columbus avenue, which is under process of construction through what was formerly known as Pynchon street, extending from Roxbury crossing to Hog bridge. It also made it possible to conduct the work in connection with the improvements being carried on by the city of Boston and by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company simultaneously, thus saving a very considerable sum of money.

As the work will be accomplished for a sum well within the appropriation, the Legislature has been petitioned to authorize the expenditure of any balance for the further extension of the covered channel of the brook, which in time must be carried still further towards its sources.

The work of reconstructing the channels was commenced in the middle of the summer from what is known as the old Stony brook gate house to the existing channel constructed by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company above Centre street. Work has progressed in a rapid manner and will be finished during the coming summer. When this work is completed, Stony brook will be constructed according to the commissioners' plans as far as a point beyond Boylston street, Jamaica Plain. From this point to a point near Neponset avenue, at the junction of the Canterbury branch, a distance of 13,500 feet, it should be constructed in the same manner, as this portion of the country is low and has become very thickly settled, and the brook needs to be reconstructed so as to afford surface drainage; also, for the purpose of carrying along what is known as the West Roxbury low level sewer, which is built in conjunction with this conduit.

I would strongly advise that the government go to the Legislature the following year and procure another loan for the construction of this brook to the point above mentioned. If this is done there will be opened up and developed a large territory that can be used for suburban residential purposes. With the numerous improvements in the building of the park system, the park driveways, the extra facilities that have been

furnished by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company for transportation, this territory will become so thickly settled that unless this is done, the open channel becomes an intolerable nuisance and the object of complaint by the Board of Health.

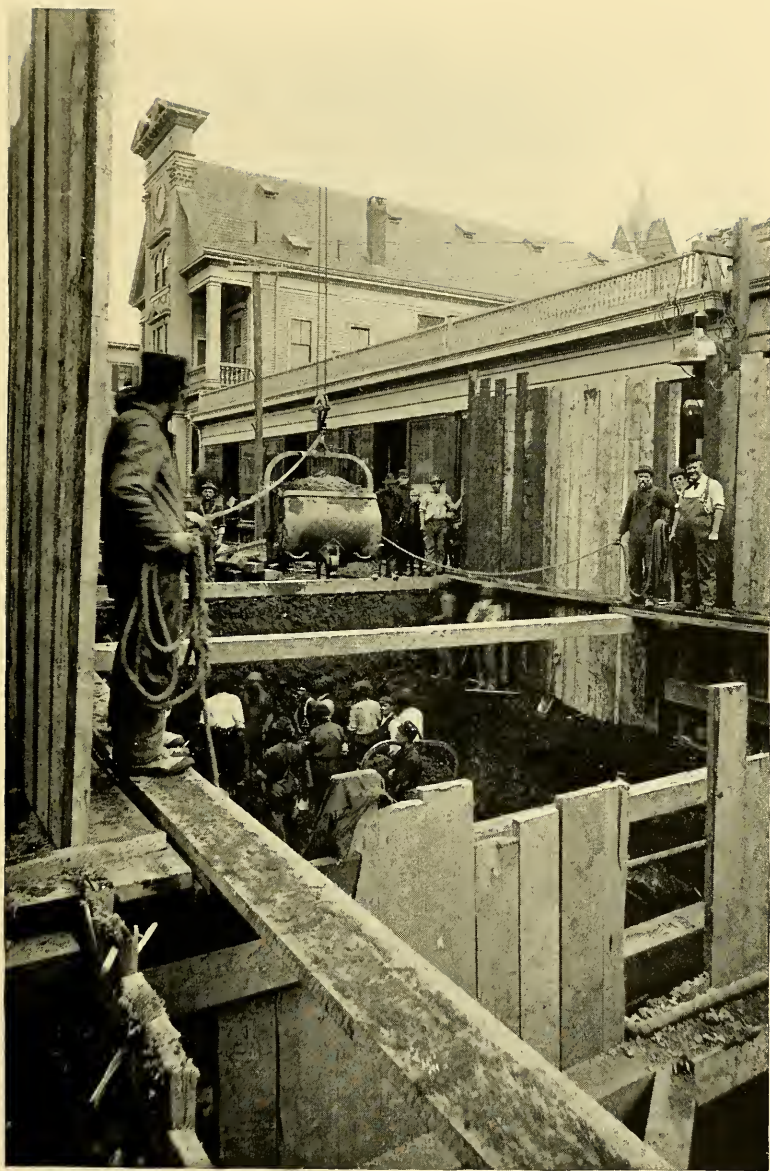
I also think it is necessary that the next Legislature should be petitioned for a sum of money for the reconstruction of the old Stony brook channels from the Belting Company to the outlet. These were constructed many years ago, and were not planned with any engineering skill, as the country at that time was only partially developed, and the brook was walled in and covered with old stone; and as this part of the territory has become very thickly settled, and a number of these channels are under public streets, namely, Culvert street, Rogers avenue and Vernon street, it becomes necessary, not only from a sanitary point of view, but also for public safety, to reconstruct these channels.

The condition of these channels can be seen by the accompanying engravings. The views show under Culvert street, a street that is heavily travelled, and unless some action is taken it is only a question of time when there will be an accident. Also in rebuilding this, I would recommend that the house sewers be reconstructed at the same time, so as to take out the drainage, as at present considerable house drainage goes into this brook and is discharged into what is called the Back Bay Fens.

During the past year, owing to the reconstruction of Huntington avenue across Stony brook at Rogers avenue, after an examination the brook was found in a condition shown in the accompanying view, and it was decided to line it up with brick work. This shows the manner in which these channels were strengthened, and the remainder of this stone arched construction should be lined with brick work in the same manner.

SURFACE DRAINAGE.

Stony brook is but one of the many natural surface drains existing in the suburban sections of the city. Owing to the building up of this suburban territory, and the lack of legislation which gives control of the brook channels, great difficulty has been met by the department to regulate the disposal of surface water. Many of these brook channels run dry in summer, and in many cases houses have been built upon them. The city can take no action in the matter under the present law unless the public street is in some way damaged by the blocking of the water courses. This



TRENCH FOR STONY-BROOK CONDUIT, COLUMBUS AVENUE.

may not occur until the brook channel is practically obliterated, and even then action is slow and difficult.

The following bill presented by this department through His Honor the Mayor, is under consideration by the Committee on Metropolitan Affairs of the State Legislature:

AN ACT RELATIVE TO SURFACE DRAINAGE IN THE
CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows :

SECTION 1. The board of street commissioners of the city of Boston may order that any streams or water courses within the limits of said city be diverted from their original channels, or that such channels, or any new channels, be widened, deepened, straightened, paved and covered, or that any part of such streams or water courses be so treated, or that any one or more of such things be done. The mayor of said city shall thereupon, by such officer as he shall direct, cause such orders to be carried out.

SECT. 2. The board of street commissioners of said city, for the purposes aforesaid, may take any lands in fee, easements, rights, and other property that they may deem necessary and desirable therefor ; and to take any property by right of eminent domain, shall sign and cause to be recorded in the registry of deeds for the county of Suffolk a statement containing a description thereof, as certain as is required in a common conveyance of land, and stating that the same is taken for the purposes of this act, and upon such recording the property described in the said description shall be taken for said city. The city of Boston shall pay all damages sustained by any person by the taking of any property under the authority of this act, the same to be agreed upon by said person and said board; and if they cannot agree thereon, the same shall be determined by a jury in the superior court of said county, on petition of said person or said board, in the same manner as damages are determined for taking of lands and laying out of highways in said city.

SECT. 3. The city of Boston shall annually, by ordinary vote, appropriate money for carrying on said work, to an amount not exceeding two hundred thousand dollars, the money so appropriated to be obtained from the sale of bonds and certificates provided for in section three. The total amount of all such bonds and certificates outstanding shall never exceed by more than five hundred thousand dollars the sinking funds established for the payment of the debt created as aforesaid.

SECT. 4. The treasurer of said city shall, from time to time, on the request of the mayor in writing, issue to the amount or amounts so appropriated, negotiable bonds or certificates of indebtedness, payable in twenty years from their date, and bearing interest at a rate not exceeding four per centum per annum, payable semi-annually and fixed by said treasurer with the approval of the mayor, and shall sell said bonds or certificates, or any part thereof, and credit the proceeds thereof, except premiums, to the aforesaid appropriations. The aforesaid bonds and certificates shall not be considered or reckoned in determining the authorized limit of indebtedness of said city.

SECT. 5. The expenses incurred in doing any work under the authority of this act, including interest on the amount expended at the rate of five per centum per annum from the date of the passage of the order, shall be repaid to said city, and such portion thereof as the commission hereinafter provided for shall deem just and equitable shall be assessed upon the several estates any part of which is situated within the natural water shed of the part of the water-course upon which the work is done in proportion to the benefit received by them therefrom, as determined by said commission, and the balance of such expenses shall be repaid by the other estates, any lands of which are so situated, in proportion to the valuation of such lands.

SECT. 6. The assessment aforesaid upon each estate, and for which the estate shall be liable as a part of the taxes thereon, and for which a lien shall attach to the estate, shall be determined by a board of commissioners consisting of the superintendent of streets, the city engineer and the chairman of the board of street commissioners of said city, in accordance with the proportions in which the said board shall determine that the said estates are increased in value by the aforesaid work, such determination to be subject to appeal therefrom to the superior court to determine its correctness, as provided in the case of appeals from the board of assessors relating to taxes.

SECT. 7. Said superintendent of streets shall give notice of the amount of every such assessment to the owner of the estate liable therefor forthwith after such amount has been determined, and a lien shall attach to the estate for the amount, as a part of the tax of such estate, and said commission shall deliver to the city collector the bills of said assessments for collection.

SECT. 8. The treasurer of said city shall, from the premiums on loans, and assessments, received during any financial year of said city under the provisions of this act, pay the interest on the aforesaid bonds and certificates accruing during that year, and shall pay over any surplus of the moneys so received to the board of commissioners of sinking funds of said city, to be by them credited to the sinking funds established for the debts incurred under this act. If the amount so received in any such year is insufficient to meet the interest aforesaid, said treasurer shall, unless other provision is made by said city, pay the deficiency from the aforesaid appropriation; and unless said city otherwise orders, shall, when any certificates become due, pay from said appropriation any deficiency existing in the sinking funds established to pay the same, and no moneys shall be raised for interest or sinking fund requirements on said bonds and certificates except as herein provided, unless ordered by said city; but any excess of moneys received by the treasurer in any one financial year above the amount required to meet the interest on the aforesaid bonds and certificates and the requirements of the sinking fund established for said debts, shall be credited by said treasurer to the appropriation for carrying on said work.

SECT. 9. The supreme judicial court, and any justice thereof, and the superior court, and any justice thereof, shall have jurisdiction in equity, on the petition of said city, by its attorney, to enforce the provisions of this act and to prevent the unlawful pollution or obstruction of the channel of any natural stream or water course in said city.

SECT. 10. This act shall take effect upon its passage.



NORMANDY STREET SEWER—SHOWING COMPARATIVE SIZES OF HOUSE AND STORM SEWERS.

The passage of this, it is believed, would largely remedy the trouble, and at small expense compared with the enormous amounts of money which would be required if the provisions for maintaining these natural water channels were delayed much longer.

Careful statistics by districts bearing on this subject will be found in the report of the Deputy Superintendent of the Sewer Division.

MAIN DRAINAGE SYSTEM OF BOSTON.

During the past year great attention has been given by the department to the improvement of the present condition and planning for the future development of the main drainage system of Boston. This is the part of the sewer system from Gainsborough street to the pumping station, and includes the pumping station, tunnel, reservoirs, outfall and intercepting sewers. This work was originally constructed by the city of Boston for the purpose of taking care of the sewage of Boston, and by wise foresight was made commodious enough to accommodate the outlying towns and cities that are now under the control of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, they discharging into the sewer at the corner of Gainsborough street and Huntington avenue, and another branch into the Dorchester interceptor at Central avenue. The city has been taking this sewage now for six years and has never been able to make definite settlement with the State for the payment of this service. The amount of money that has been received from the State has not been over 50 per cent of the actual value of the work done.

Without consultation with the authorities of the city of Boston, a bill was introduced into the present legislature by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, providing for the seizure of the main drainage works of the city, the same to be placed under the control of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners. In the opinion of this department, should this act become a law, it would be most unfortunate for the interests of the city, as the present construction to a large degree, and all plans for the future, are made with a view of disposing of house drainage of the city through the main drainage system and the outfall at Moon Island.

The citizens of Boston are directly interested in preventing the pollution of the waters of the harbor, and at a great expense the present system has been designed with a view to discharging the sewage in as unobjectionable a form as

possible. The interest of the inland cities and towns connecting with the Metropolitan system lies in the direction of the smallest cost for the disposal of their sewage, and this matter of harbor pollution, which is of the most vital interest to the residents of Boston, is to them a secondary consideration. That this is no imaginary danger, it is fair to state that the North Metropolitan System, which has been constructed, and is maintained under the control of the State Board of Metropolitan Commissioners, disposing of the sewage of Arlington, Belmont, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Somerville, Stoneham, Wakefield, Winchester, Winthrop, and Woburn, and as soon as connections can be made, Charlestown and East Boston, has its outlet one hundred yards from the shores of Deer Island, the pumping station being on the island. No storage basins or settling channels are provided, the sewage being pumped directly into the harbor at all stages of the tide.

The system on the south Metropolitan, which has always been controlled and planned under the direction of the city of Boston officials, maintains at the pumping station settling basins, from which the deposits, or so called "Sludge," is removed to barges and carried to sea. The grease deposits, which are very offensive if allowed to pass into the bay, are collected at the east shaft. The sewerage water then passes to Moon Island, where it is held in storage basins until one hour after the beginning of the ebb tide, and is then allowed to pass out to sea.

In addition to this most vital objection to State control of the Boston Sewerage System, it can be stated that with the taking of the main sewers, all regulation of the connecting sewers must necessarily be placed in the hands of the State Commission. In the arguments made by those favoring the bill, no claim was made that under the control of the city of Boston, these works had not been wisely, efficiently, and economically carried on.

It is hoped that representatives of the cities and towns in this so called Charles-river district will in the future avail themselves of the opportunities for information which this department most freely offers them.

In the past, although the subject of seizure by the State was of the most vital interest and importance, no representative of the district outside of Boston conferred with, or asked for information from this department.

Plans for additional pumps and storage basins are being prepared, as the present capacity of the plant is nearly

reached, the pumps handling an average of 75,000,000 gallons per day.

PUMPING STATION.

During the past year extensive repairs have been made on the machinery of the Main Drainage Works at Cow pasture. Both the high and low duty pumps have been overhauled and new laggings put on. These pumps are now in a first-class condition, excepting the valves, which will be overhauled this ensuing year. The old buildings and sheds around the station have been removed, the grounds graded and seeded, making a great improvement in the looks of the station.

Mr. Leavitt, the mechanical engineer, who designed the original pumps of this station, is now designing a sixty-million gallon pump, which will be erected as soon as possible; in the meantime the pumping capacity of the two high duty pumps will be increased so that their maximum duty will amount to one hundred and fifty million gallons per day.

One of the great troubles experienced at this station is the disposal of filth from the filth hoist. The engineers of this department are now working upon a method of disposing of this by cremation, which will probably be put in operation as soon as possible.

HIGH-LEVEL SEWERS.

I would also recommend that the coming year the city of Boston apply to the Legislature for a certain sum of money to begin what is known as the high-level intercepting sewers. These sewers were recommended by the original commission in 1876 to be constructed so as to afford relief to the pumps. It was also recommended by the Superintendent of Streets in the annual report of 1891, he then making the statement that this was an essential part of the scheme to intercept the sewers of Boston, to carry the sewage from the highlands directly to the outlet by gravity and thus avoid pumping. To do this a system of intercepting sewers was projected in Dorchester, Roxbury and Brighton, to intercept the sewage from all lands above grade 40. The engineers of this department have not made a more extensive study of this scheme for the reason that it was thought that inasmuch as this sewer would have to be located in part in territory outside the city limits, the work would be advocated and carried out by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission, but as yet

they have done nothing towards furthering this scheme. The city of Boston should, therefore, take hold of the matter, and especially build those portions that lie within the city limits.

In regard to the maintenance appropriation provided for this division, it is entirely inadequate. The past few years miles of sewers have been added, and, as in the Paving Division, the amount of money provided for their care has been decreased.

The maintenance appropriation is used for the purpose of administrative expenses, engineering, cleaning and flushing of sewers, which is something that needs to be done thoroughly every year, the sewer becoming a festering place if not kept clean, generating disease and making a nuisance to the neighborhood, the gases and odors arising from the manholes finding their way into the houses.

The care of some 12,000 catch-basins, if properly attended to, is expensive but necessary. A majority of these basins should be cleaned from three to four times a year. Under present conditions, not over five or six thousand are cleaned annually. Unless cleaned frequently, the catch-basin fills, rises over the trap, and then the basin becomes useless. In other cases the dirt and débris are carried through the trap into the sewer. This clogs the sewer and makes an expense to the department for the cleaning of the sewer.

Maintenance money is also used for the reconstruction of those portions of the sewers that break in or become damaged, and have to be replaced with new sewers.

One hundred thousand dollars of the maintenance appropriation is used in the running of the Pumping Station at Cow Pasture and the main drainage outlets at Moon Island, and the sum necessary increases each year.

There should be legislation passed putting within control of the Street Department the making of all house connections, with the power to assess the cost of so doing; the compelling of stables, factories, and other parties who use a sewer, if necessary, to put in catch-basins or settling tanks for any material and matter which is detrimental to the sewers.

Inspectors for the Street Department should have the right to enter buildings and inspect, in cases of doubt, the quality of sewage that is discharged therefrom, as, for instance, numerous complaints are received of naphtha gas and other detrimental materials discharging into sewers. No entry can be made into the sewer on account of the gas, and yet the department has no authority to enter any factory or building to make proper examination.

The great importance of a proper maintenance of the sewerage system of the city, and the difficulty which has been, and will always be met, of obtaining from the tax levy the amount necessary to properly do the work, has led this department to suggest the passage of an act providing for the adoption of a rental system for sewer service, much on the lines of the Water Department system of charges, and the following bill was drafted, and is now under consideration of the Legislative Committee on Metropolitan Affairs.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF
SEWERS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted, etc., as follows:

SECTION 1. The board of street commissioners of the city of Boston may from time to time, with the approval of the mayor, order the construction of sewers in said city, as they deem that public necessity and convenience require, and may take land therefor in the same manner, and under the same provisions of law, as said board takes land for the laying out of highways, the expenses incurred for such taking, and other expenses of constructing said sewers, to be paid from the proceeds of the loan hereinafter authorized.

SECT. 2. The treasurer of the city of Boston shall from time to time, on the request of the mayor of said city, issue bonds or certificates of indebtedness of the city of Boston to an amount not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars. Said bonds shall not be considered in determining the limit of indebtedness of said city. Said bonds shall be issued for the term of thirty years from their date, shall be registered or coupon, and shall bear interest, payable semi-annually, at such rate, not exceeding four per centum as the treasurer of said city, with the approval of the mayor, shall determine. Said treasurer shall sell said bonds and hold the proceeds thereof in the treasury to meet the expenses aforesaid.

SECT. 3. Said board shall establish just and equitable charges for the use of sewers constructed after the passage of this act, to be paid by every estate abutting on the portion of the street in which such sewers are located, and may change said charges from year to year; said board shall likewise establish just and equitable charges for the use of sewers heretofore constructed, and in determining the amount of such charges shall give all estates for which any assessment has been paid for the construction of a sewer, such credit on account of such payment as in the judgment of said board would be just and equitable, having regard in every case to the amount of assessments paid and the length of time which has elapsed since such payment, and the amount of use that such estate has made of the sewer. The determination of such charges by said board shall be final in all cases. Such charges shall constitute a lien upon the real estate, and the annual amount thereof shall be inserted in the tax bill for such estate, and be collected in the same manner and as a part of the taxes on such estate.

SECT. 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Under this system, it would be possible for sewers to be built when needed, and not as at present, when the city can find available money. The proposed plan seems fairer to each individual and no hardship on property. The subject is worthy of the most careful consideration and study. From the investigation made by this department, the plan seems a wise one.

SANITARY DIVISION.

Appropriation.

\$435,000.

Expenditure.

\$477,241.54.

The past year the collections of this division were as follows:

363,975 loads of house dirt and ashes ;
56,402 loads of house offal.

The matter of collection and disposal of offal in large cities becomes each year a more serious problem. In the city of Boston some action of the government towards a more scientific and sanitary method of its disposition is advisable.

During the last fiscal year about 86 per cent of the offal collections were sold to farmers, the remainder being towed to sea.

The scarcity of convenient dumping places for the disposal of ashes and other dry refuse collected from stores and dwellings is a steadily increasing expense, and will so continue until some arrangement is made for the destruction of the combustible portion, which amounts to some 50 per cent of the total. Much of the dry material collected, though not heavy, is very bulky in its nature, and during the past year it was deemed advisable to increase the capacity of the collection carts one-third. Boards were attached to the sides, flaring outward to prevent the refuse from littering the streets while the load was in transit. Some objection was raised to this plan on the ground that it caused excessive loading, but the erection of platform scales on the corner of Massachusetts avenue and Swett street, near one of the dumps, showed that of a total of 1,000 loads in February, the average weight per load was about 1,600 pounds.

A committee has been appointed by the City Council, consisting of the City Engineer, Chairman of the Board of Health, and the Superintendent of Streets, to investigate the

subject of garbage disposal, and a report will soon be made on this subject to His Honor the Mayor.

During the past year residents have been instructed to report the non-removal of ashes or offal to the police. The complaints are promptly forwarded to this office and receive immediate attention. This system should be encouraged.

The property at Fort Hill Wharf, used as the principal dumping station, is in a dangerously dilapidated condition. Its reconstruction and enlargement so as to accommodate an additional dumping boat and also to remove the present objectionable features is recommended, and an appropriation will be asked from the city government.

It is the purpose of the department to abolish, April 1, the offal station in the Highland-street yard, Roxbury. It has long been objectionable, on account of its proximity to the Marcella-street Home, which provides for the care of several hundred children. This will add to the maintenance expense of the division, as the offal must now be hauled to the South End yard.

A new horse-shoeing plant has been established at the West End yard, giving satisfaction to the department, and making a saving in expense. The greater part of the horse shoeing of the Street Department is done by this division, which also builds and repairs the carts, harnesses, etc., and paints all the street signs.

STREET CLEANING.

Appropriation.	Expenditure.
\$300,000 00	\$310,266 39

Cleaned 12,080 miles of streets.

Removed 112,961 loads of dirt.

This division has been maintained on the old lines, but with an increased force and efficiency.

The work of the push cart patrol service has been extended, and a further extension is recommended.

As in the other divisions, the maintenance appropriation for the work is not sufficient. From year to year the public

expect a higher standard in the cleanliness of the streets, and although the mileage is increased, the amount of the appropriation remains at a standstill. In New York, under the administration of Colonel Waring, the appropriation is comparatively very much greater, and special appropriations for snow work are made. The public in that city, appreciating the great value of clean streets, both from a sanitary and commercial point of view, have been liberal in the matter of expenditure.

Every effort has been made the past year to secure the active assistance of the police in the enforcement of the ordinances forbidding the throwing of paper and other rubbish into the streets; circulars printed in various languages have been distributed and co-operation with the charitable organizations in this work encouraged; but the results have not been very satisfactory. It would seem that this matter might be better controlled by the police. An effort was made through the Police Commissioners to secure the appointment within the department of special officers who might give this matter of unnecessary dirt in the streets their entire attention with some authority to arrest. The Commissioners have decided that this under the law could not be allowed. The remedy, therefore, remains in the hands of the police. A more detailed account of the conditions existing in Boston as regards street cleaning will be found in the report of the Deputy Superintendent in charge of that division.

BRIDGE DIVISION.

Maintenance.

Appropriation.	Expenditure.
\$120,000 00	\$119,963 55

Specials.

Appropriation.	Expenditure.
\$55,543 86	\$27,172 77

This division has charge of 128 bridges. Many of these are old and in poor condition, and it requires the most con-

stant care and activity on the part of the Deputy Superintendent to keep all safe and in condition for travel.

Special appropriations should be passed the coming year for reconstruction work on the following bridges:

Warren avenue	\$5,000 00
Mt. Washington avenue	4,500 00
Congress street	7,000 00
Malden	6,000 00
Columbus avenue	2,000 00
Broadway	10,000 00

The past year in the Bridge Division has been a most active one. The work of the division has been systematized, and the amount of maintenance work on the bridges greatly increased. With the money available, a great deal has been accomplished. New features of the work being the reconstruction of Meridian-street bridge, and the introduction of electric power in place of horse power, and the rebuilding of the Essex-street bridge, Boston side.

I would recommend for this division a larger and more convenient building than the present quarters on Foundry street for an office, storehouse, and work shop. There should also be attached a stable with yard room, which would give ample accommodations for the storage of lumber.

The drawtenders should be given authority as special police officers so that the rules governing the use of the bridges and waterways might be better enforced.

FERRY DIVISION.

Appropriations.

Maintenance.	Expenditure.
\$218,000.	\$217,999 95.
Specials.	Expenditure.
\$742 94.	\$742 94.

For expenditure under the New Ferry Landing, see page 4.

The need of additional and improved ferry facilities for East Boston was recognized by the Legislature, and an act was passed authorizing the city to borrow outside the debt limit the sum of \$500,000 for new ferry landing. This subject has received considerable attention and study by a committee of the City Council, this Department and the East Boston Trade Association. Definite plans of location,

however, have not been decided upon, owing to the difficulty of securing the proper sites for new landings.

The sum of \$30,000 of the special appropriation by a vote of the City Council was made available for the building of certain drops and slips which had long been considered and condemned as unsafe. These would be a part of any new plan of public improvements which ultimately might be adopted. Plans are also being prepared for a new boat, the construction of which will be pushed forward as rapidly as possible.

The best plan presented for the general improvement seems to be for the city to retain its present locations, making additional slips at the South Ferry, rebuilding the head house of the South Ferry, East Boston side, and the taking of the Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad Company boats and landing for a southern terminus.

From special appropriations there were added this year a permanent awning over sidewalk at North Ferry, East Boston side, an illuminated clock on the head house, North Ferry, Boston side; electric motors at the North Ferry, East Boston and Boston sides, for hauling heavy teams up the drops, thus replacing horse power.

Great satisfaction has been expressed at this latter improvement, by which frequent and tedious delays have been overcome, and in addition a substantial saving in cost has been made.

Two boats have been coppered, and all the boats have been on the ways, thoroughly repainted and overhauled, and various minor, but important as regards public comfort, improvements made in the head houses.

STREET WATERING DIVISION.

Maintenance.	Expenditures.
\$70,000 00	\$71,211 81

The street watering season of 1896 was a most trying one as regards weather, and with the appropriation smaller by many thousands than in past years, the results attained were quite satisfactory. The growth of the city and the extension of the street watering into the early spring and late fall months, make it imperative that a larger appropriation should be made, if the work is to be done in a manner satisfactory to the public. Under the present ordinances, the city undertakes the watering of all macadam roads, paved streets being paid for by the abutters.

The work of the division the past season commenced on the 25th of March, and carts were employed in portions of the city proper, as late as the 4th of December. Certain sections of the city are greatly troubled with dust after the freezing season sets in and many complaints are received. No plan of watering is possible, owing to the fact that the water in the stand pipe becomes frozen, or if put on the streets becomes iced, and there seems to be no way of abating the nuisance.

The construction of the subway has been the occasion of much dust and consequent complaints.

As Blue Hill, Huntington, Commonwealth, Brighton and Columbus avenues near completion, it becomes necessary to provide for their care. The present force of carts are given more miles of streets than efficiency should require, and an increase in the expenses must be allowed for the above avenues and other new streets.

It is the intention the coming season to provide for an auxiliary force to be called out on days when the conditions are exceptional, and the regular number of carts inadequate to the demands upon them.

Considerable attention was given the past year to the system of watering, in use in other cities, by means of electric watering cars. This system has been on trial for some years with great success. After formal correspondence and apparently satisfactory arrangements with the West End Street Railway Co., hydrants were constructed in the section of the city, shown on the map herewith annexed, for the purpose of giving the system a thorough trial. From the five hydrants as indicated on the map, a very large territory might be watered at a comparatively small expense. After one day's trial, the West End Railway Company notified the department that under their charter, such service was not allowed, and the experiment was discontinued. A bill has been introduced in the State Legislature this year, providing that street railways may enter into contract to perform such work, and on its passage, this system will be given a fair trial, and, if the results are satisfactory, plans will be made for the extension of the service the coming year. Pending the passage of the bill, the West End Street Railway Co. have refused to consider any proposition. They opposed the department bill, and will probably be able to hold back the so called "permissive bill" until such time as it is too late to make arrangements for this season. This electric sprinkling car service would be of the greatest value on the long macadam roads extending through the suburban dis-

tricts, where proper watering is a matter, under the present system, of too great expense to be undertaken.

PURCHASE OF SUPPLIES.

It has been found impossible for the Superintendent to give more than a supervisory attention to the purchasing of supplies for the department, so that the title of the official charged with this responsibility has been changed from "Purchasing Clerk" to "Purchasing Agent." Requisitions are still signed by the Superintendent, but the detail of the work all falls on the Purchasing Agent. There has been established a central supply department and a stock room, so that the Purchasing Agent may take advantage of the market by purchasing in larger quantities and at advantageous periods. The distribution of supplies can also be handled better in this way, and a closer check kept on the quantities used in the various districts.

HORSES.

The number of horses owned and cared for by the department averages over five hundred, divided by divisions as follows:—

Central Office	4
Bridge Division	10
Ferries	1
Paving Division	112
Sanitary Division	197
Sewer Division	74
Street-Cleaning Division	97
Street-Watering Division	2
Total	<hr/> 497

Up to the present year, there had been no system of record, the only figures being so many horses assigned as might be. A horse was a horse, and there was on file no information as to the date of purchase, cost or description. In March, 1896, an examination was made by the head veterinary, each horse duly described under a number assigned and attached around his neck by a strap with a brass tag thereon. Such information as could be gathered from the stablemen was also added to the record. At the central office is now kept a general book containing by number a description of each horse, assignment, time bought, price paid, transfer, sale, or death; and at each stable is also kept a local book of record. Veterinary bills are now rendered, giving the number of the

patient, cause of visit, etc. This not only puts an end to certain abuses which have existed heretofore in the department, but is in many ways serviceable and business-like. New horses can only be received in the department after examination by the head veterinary and his written approval on a blank provided therefor. Likewise, horses sold or killed must be examined and condemned in due form by the head veterinary.

LABOR.

The labor of the department has this year been put on a permanent basis, under the following plan :

At the beginning of the financial year the number of men in each division who, under the maintenance appropriation, can be safely carried is estimated, and these constitute the permanent men, and they can feel assured of steady work the year through, unless by act or fault of their own they forfeit their place. Such additional men as are needed in the active working season of the department will be rated as reserve or substitute men. These men can depend on employment only so long as the work of the department requires their services. As vacancies occur in the permanent force, promotions will be made from the reserve men.

I believe this will remedy the very unsatisfactory condition which has prevailed up to this time. It is only justice and common sense that the men should know their true position. Under the old organization, when the winter cut-down came, no one was prepared. It may have been common knowledge that the cut was coming, but each individual felt that he was not the one who should go. This not only created suffering and loss to the men suspended, but brought an almost unbearable pressure for reinstatement on the heads of the department.

The new plan should meet with success, and prove an incentive to faithful effort, of the permanent men to hold their places, and of the reserve men to gain promotion.

STABLES AND BUILDINGS.

At the Highland yard, Roxbury, much-needed additional stable room was made by building a runway to, and stalls on, the second floor. These stalls are of the latest sanitary pattern, and at a slight expense the number can now be increased.

The condition of the Street Department buildings was such that, by request, the Superintendent of Public Buildings

made a report to His Honor the Mayor. This report showed a very pressing need of expenditure for putting in repair, and needed extension, of the buildings.

It is very important that there be provided for the department a hospital for new and sick horses. Plans have been drawn and a location selected, and it is hoped that the city government will make available a sufficient appropriation, so that a model hospital may be established. At present the conveniences and apparatus necessary for the proper care of sick horses are wanting, and the consequent loss by death and sickness is very considerable.

The expenditures for improving the Street Department plant have been very considerable. Carts, horses and tools were in poor condition.

Owing to the expiration of the lease of No. 12 Beacon street, the Sanitary, Street Cleaning, Bridge, and Street Watering Divisions removed to the Tremont Building until such time as room would become available to them in the reconstructed Historical Society Building, of which lease has been taken by the city.

It would greatly benefit and advance the administration of the Street Department if all the divisions were gathered under one roof with the Central Office.

TOW BOAT "CORMORANT."

The department tow boat, "Cormorant," built in 1893, has been put in first class condition. She was taken on the ways, caulked, painted inside and out, wear and damage caused by her constant and rough work repaired, machinery and boilers thoroughly overhauled, and a most important improvement made by the addition of steam-steering gear. This latter expense was deemed warranted, from the fact that this boat must make her daily trip to sea in any and all conditions of the weather. With weather heavy, this steam-steering gear is a matter not only of comfort, but of safety.

SMOKE NUISANCE.

Following out the provisions of the statute law relative to the abatement of the smoke nuisance in the city of Boston, the work has been authoritatively assigned by the Mayor to this department. A careful inspection of all boiler plants has been made from time to time, and strict regulations have been enforced in all cases. Especial attention has been given to the setting of new boilers in order to prevent the entire disregard to the smoke question which seems to have been customary.

No permit is now given by the Inspection of Buildings Department unless the applicant has first filed satisfactory evidence with this department that reasonable precautions have been taken to reduce smoke to a minimum.

During 1896, 331 boiler applications have been received and disposed of. Careful and detailed observations have been made in many cases, both with and without the knowledge of the owners, and from the tables the percentage of total smoke and clear stack have been computed. When complaints have been received, they have been immediately followed up until the source of the trouble has been located and remedied. Eight prominent buildings during the year have equipped their plant with good smoke preventers. Numerous other plants have been willing to use hard coal or a mixture of screenings and soft coal with good results.

Twenty-six special reports have been made by the smoke inspector on various alleged violations of the smoke law, requiring in some cases extended observations. Forty-four observations have been taken, lasting from five to nine hours each, while 285 short observations have been taken and cautionary notices issued where they seemed to have been required.

In general, the citizens of this community have shown a commendable desire to operate their various plants, not only within the law, but consistent with the just requirements of a congested business district.

BOSTON AND CAMBRIDGE BRIDGES.

It is but fair to state that the care and responsibility has been chiefly borne by my associate Commissioner, Mr. William J. Marvin, of Cambridge, and I desire to express my appreciation of his work.

The condition of these bridges is such that only by the most careful management can the work of keeping safe be done at an amount near the appropriation, which this year, on the part of the city of Boston, was \$13,000. The actual cost to each city was \$13,835.54.

A new bridge to Cambridge, to replace the West Boston Bridge, should be planned for at once. The present structure is entirely inadequate to the demands of travel, and the condition is such that it cannot possibly be made to do duty but a short time longer.

CANAL OR CRAIGIE'S BRIDGE.

The bulkhead at the end of the bridge at the draw has been rebuilt with oak piles and 6-inch hard pine plank. The end of the down-stream draw pier has been strengthened by driving additional oak piles, and planking with 6-inch hard pine plank. The roadway pavement has been repaired and the sheathing of the draw kept in repair. The ordinary small repairs have been made by the drawtender and his assistants.

The bridge is swept once a week, always after midnight, and the roadway is watered with salt water three times daily, when necessary to lay the dust.

The sidewalks on the southerly side of the bridge on the Cambridge end, and part of the northerly sidewalk are in poor condition and will require rebuilding next year. The drawtender's house and the power house on the draw pier should be painted.

HARVARD BRIDGE.

Harvard bridge is in good condition. The principal repairs made during the year are as follows: The wearing plank on the surface of the roadway has been entirely renewed, without interrupting public travel. Experience has shown that the two-inch spruce plank making the wearing surface of the roadway will have to be renewed every year.

The ironwork underneath the surface of the bridge has been cleaned from rust and painted. Paint stock was bought at wholesale prices, and the work done by the day.

The asphalt sidewalks on the bridge were in bad condition. They were originally laid by two asphalt paving companies, each of which gave bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars conditioned upon maintaining the work in good condition for five years. One-half of the sidewalk on the bridge laid by the Barber Asphalt Paving Company has been entirely renewed by them without cost to the two cities, and the remaining sidewalk will be made good by the guarantors next year.

The avenue connecting the bridge with Boston has been paved at the request of the Commissioners, and the part of the avenue in Cambridge next the bridge should also be paved to prevent cracked stone and dirt from being carried on to the bridge by teams.

The drawtender's house, the iron fences, and the iron work outside the rail will require painting next year.

The smaller repairs are made by the drawtender and assistants. They also clean the surface of the bridge weekly, and keep the electric light globes clean and in order.

PRISON-POINT BRIDGE.

The abolition of the grade crossing of the Boston & Maine Railroad, which will soon be made, will require an entirely new bridge at this point. The old bridge is in bad condition, as only such repairs as are necessary to keep it safe have been made.

The smaller repairs have been made by the drawtender. The drawtender's house will have to be painted next year.

WEST-BOSTON BRIDGE.

This bridge is entirely worn out, and only constant inspection and repairs prevent serious accidents. During the year the piles supporting the bridge settled in places as much as five inches under the extreme loads carried. To stop this alarming settlement repairs were made on small sections at a time without interrupting travel. Additional piles were driven through small openings made in the bridge, and 62 oak piles, 30 spruce piles, 41 new stringers and 12 new girder caps were used.

The bridge for a long time has been too narrow to accommodate the travel which is constantly increasing. It is in the line of the heaviest travel from Boston to Cambridge and the country beyond, and the Commissioners recommend the immediate construction of a substantial modern bridge.

The curb was reset and brick sidewalks laid in front of the estates of Rawson & Morrison and G. Damon. The roadway on the draw has been resheathed when necessary.

The bridge has been swept once a week, always after midnight, and watered three times daily with salt water in dusty weather. The sweeping of the piers and draw, the cleaning of snow from draw-piers and sidewalks and the small ordinary repairs have been done by the drawtender and assistants.

The house on the draw-pier will need painting and other repairs next year.

IN GENERAL.

The usual statement is appended, showing the number of draw openings and the number of vessels which passed through, also table showing the traffic over bridge on April 18, 1896.

The amount of revenue received for rents, dockage, repairs to West End Street Railway Company's tracks, etc., during the year has been \$1,424.02; one-half, \$712.01 has been paid to each city.

Statement showing Traffic over Bridges.

DATE. 1896.	Bridge.	Teams.	Horses.	Pedestrians.	Bicycles.	Electric Cars.	Car Passen- gers.
April 18, 6 A.M. to 7 P.M.	Canal	7,284	10,926	14,913	202	563	12,695
	Harvard	3,801	4,851	7,998	3,352	478	13,750
	Prison Point.....	1,975	2,916	3,962	95		
	West Boston... ..	4,035	5,466	9,902	246	1,046	20,231
	Totals	17,095	24,159	36,775	3,895	2,087	46,676

The following is a statement of the payments made by the city of Boston on account of the Canal, Harvard, Prison Point and West Boston Bridges, from Feb. 1, 1896 to Jan. 31, 1897.

Amount of appropriation for financial year of 1896-97.	\$13,000 00
Transferred from Street Department, Pav- ing Division	835 54
Amount expended to Jan. 31, 1897 . . .	\$13,835 54

Classification of Expenses.

Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.	Canal or Craigie's Bridge.	Harvard Bridge.	Prison Point Bridge.	West Boston Bridge.	General Account.	Totals.
Salaries, draw-tenders and others	\$1,307 50	\$1,275 00	\$273 94	\$1,250 00	\$250 00	\$4,356 44
General repairs.....	505 68	420 28	140 49	1,255 21	.....	2,321 66
Lumber.....	328 73	1,103 99	130 54	577 31	.....	2,140 57
Electric lighting	281 27	1,141 67	.....	506 27	.....	1,929 21
Inspection	162 50	95 00	47 50	242 50	.....	547 50
Cleaning Bridges.....	197 12	54 20	.....	278 38	.....	529 70
Paint and painting.....	.....	375 56	.....	1 06	.....	376 62
Ironwork	41 00	153 37	31 65	129 48	.....	355 50
Watering roadways	175 00	.....	.....	175 00	.....	350 00
Fuel.....	137 55	13 95	.....	78 61	.....	230 11
Tools and hardware.....	28 63	73 85	25 98	21 58	.....	150 04
Electric current.....	.....	150 00	.....	.....	.....	150 00
Sundry small supplies....	48 93	56 13	.....	37 06	.....	142 12
Paving .....	.....	.....	.....	104 96	.....	104 96
Travelling expenses, etc..	.....	.....	.....	.....	62 30	62 30
Water rates.....	16 00	.....	5 50	11 00	.....	32 50
Printing and stationery..	.....	.....	.....	.....	28 81	28 81
Electric light repairs.....	.....	27 50	.....	.....	.....	27 50
Totals	\$3,229 91	\$4,940 50	\$655 60	\$4,668 42	\$341 11	\$13,885 54

Number of times the draws in Canal, Harvard, Prison Point and West Boston Bridges have been opened and the number of Vessels which have passed through for the year, beginning Feb. 1, 1896 and ending Jan. 31, 1897.

DATE.	CANAL OR CRAIGIE'S.		HARVARD.		PRISON POINT.		WEST BOSTON.	
	Number of Draw Openings.	Number of Vessels Passed Through.	Number of Draw Openings.	Number of Vessels Passed Through.	Number of Draw Openings.	Number of Vessels Passed Through.	Number of Draw Openings.	Number of Vessels Passed Through.
Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.								
February, 1896.....	125	175	22	32	21	28	27	44
March.....	149	201	20	38	15	22	31	66
April.....	289	320	50	70	39	50	70	107
May.....	397	504	124	187	74	94	155	239
June.....	384	448	88	123	32	41	113	161
July.....	329	421	107	158	9	13	154	257
August.....	433	731	127	194	52	65	285	644
September....	323	465	85	131	41	53	176	354
October.....	229	325	65	98	42	57	121	214
November.....	276	346	115	161	36	54	110	175
December.....	281	362	144	155	37	51	109	171
January, 1897.....	186	237	36	38	15	22	33	51
Totals.....	3,401	4,535	983	1,385	413	550	1,384	2,483

EMPLOYMENT OF LABOR.

The following statement from the Civil Service Clerk shows in detail the classification of labor of the whole department tabulated by divisions which is self explanatory :

During the year ending Jan. 31, 1897, 82 applications were made upon the Civil Service Commission for 226 men of various grades, and 330 names were submitted by them, of which number 250 were given employment in the several divisions ; of the 250 people employed, 6 were provisional appointments (Civil Service Rule 36), 5 were promotions, and 32 were veterans. During the year authority was granted to reinstate 49 former employees (Civil Service Rule 60), 48 men were transferred from various city departments to this department, to wit: 15 from Water Department, 9 from Transit Commission, 9 from Improved Sewerage, 8 from

Public Grounds, 4 from Parks, and one each from Mt. Hope, Health, and City Engineer's Department, making the total of 347 persons employed during the year. Notices of 372 discharges from the department rolls were forwarded to the Commission, and at their suggestion the names of persons who had not worked for a year or more for the Street Department were dropped from the rolls, and their discharges are included in the figure quoted above. The department records show that there are 2,909 persons eligible for employment in the various divisions, and of that number 2,708 were upon the pay rolls for the week ending Jan. 28, 1897. The following table shows the classification of all the employees of the Street Department on the pay roll of Jan. 28, 1897.

Grade and Number of Employees.

TITLE.	DIVISIONS.								Total.
	Central Office.	Paving.	Sewer.	Sanitary.	Street Cleaning.	Ferry.	Bridge.	Street Watering.	
Superintendent	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Deputies .....	.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
Executive engineer	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Purchasing agent	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Clerks.	2	7	10	3	1	2	1	.....	26
Foremen .....	.....	10	10	6	8	1	1	.....	36
Sub-foremen. ....	.....	25	14	13	16	.....	2	.....	70
Superintendent of inspectors (P. O.).....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Inspectors .....	.....	20	36	10	.....	.....	.....	.....	66
Superintendent of street-patrol .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Civil engineers .....	.....	1	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8
Draughtsmen .....	.....	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Transitmen .....	.....	7	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Levelmen .....	.....	3	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17
Rodmen.....	.....	5	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	57
Aid or tallymen.....	.....	1	.....	7	1	.....	.....	.....	9
Blacksmith and assistants...	.....	19	2	7	4	2	.....	.....	34
Boiler-makers .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	2
Bracers .....	.....	.....	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18
<i>Carried forward.....</i>	5	100	189	47	32	8	5	1	387

Grade and Number of Employees.—*Continued.*

TITLE.	DIVISIONS.								Total.
	Central Office.	Paving.	Sewer.	Sanitary.	Street Cleaning.	Ferry.	Bridge.	Street Watering.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	5	100	189	47	32	8	5	1	387
Brick-slingers			2						2
Boys	1	11	17		6		18	1	54
Broom-makers					5				5
Bridge-cleaners							2		2
Captains				1		11			12
Carpenters and assistants....		19	9		3	5	11		47
Caulkers							1		1
Cement tester			1						1
Coal-passers			4						4
Chief of draws and bridges..							1		1
Chief drawtender							1		1
Drawtenders							20		20
Assistant drawtenders							34		34
Deck-hands			2			25			27
Dumpers				19	5				24
Chief engineer			1						1
Engineers and assistants....		15	25			11	18		69
Feeders				5					5
Firemen			4			20			24
Flushers			3						3
Gatemen			4			16			20
Harness-makers and assistants		3		4					7
Helpers				179	62				241
Horseshoers				6					6
Hostlers			5						5
Ironworker			1						1
Janitors			1			9			10
Janitresses						5			5
Laborers		482	317			7			806
Lamplighters						2			2
Ledgemen			93						93
Machinists			3			5			8
<i>Carried forward</i>	6	630	681	261	113	124	111	2	1,928

Grade and Number of Employees. — *Concluded.*

TITLE.	DIVISIONS.								Total.
	Central Office.	Paving.	Sewer.	Sanitary.	Street Cleaning.	Ferry.	Bridge.	Street Watering.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	6	630	681	261	113	124	111	2	1,928
Masons (stone and brick).....			32						32
Ma-sons' tenders			6						6
Mate			1						1
Measurers		2							2
Messengers	1	10	6	7	3	2	6	1	36
Oilers			7			4			11
Patch pavers and assistants..		32							32
Painters				7		1	5		13
Pilots			1			11			12
Pipe layers.....			2						2
Powdermen		4							4
Riggers			1						1
Scowmen				6					6
Steam drillers.....		7	2						9
Stenographers	1								1
Stonecutters		17	3						20
Storekeepers.....			1			1			2
Sweepers					130				130
Stablemen.....		11	6	6	4				27
Teamsters		74	24	173	65		2		338
Tollmen.....						12			12
Watchmen.....		13	16	5	1	4	3		42
Weighers.....		5							5
Wharfingers		3	1						4
Wheelwrights				3					3
Yardmen.....		7	2	18	2				29
Totals	8	815	792	486	318	159	127	3	2,708

The report of the Executive Engineer, which follows, alludes to the work of the Central Office, and includes a statement of the general finances of the department, with appropriations and expenditure from loans for special work, statistics of paved streets, together with a valuable table of prices that obtained upon a contract basis.

Attention is also called to the general work of the divisions, under the special division headings following.

SUMMARY OF WORK DONE.

The principal features of the work of the year may be summarized as follows :

BRIDGE DIVISION.

Overhauled and repaired deck, sheathing, and machinery of the following tide-water bridges: Broadway, over Fort Point channel, Congress street, and Warren, and reconstructed the Essex-street bridge, between Brighton and Cambridge. Of the inland bridges, the most important repairs were made to the Albany-street bridge, Berkeley, over the Providence and Albany railroads, and Dartmouth bridge, while special work was done on Chelsea bridge, north, in rebuilding the draw, and general repairs and additions to racks, shafts, pinions, gears, etc., preparatory to use of electric motor for power.

Meridian-street bridge required a reconstruction of draw, renewing spur-shores, girder caps, fender guard, new deck, and the painting of both bridge and fence.

A new bridge was built over Geneva avenue by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co., according to plans submitted and approved by this department, at a cost to the city of \$14,026.58.

Saratoga-street bridge was repaired where rendered unsafe by the action of ice and tide. Cottage-Farm bridge at Commonwealth avenue was completed, the roadway being finished with asphalt; a slight portion of sidewalk is yet to be topped.

A new public landing was built at Jeffries Point.

FERRY DIVISION.

The extra boat, so called, was run throughout the year. Two new ferry drops were built; repaired the middle pier at the Boston landing of the South Ferry; supplied the ferry drops with special hoisting motor operated by electricity, used for hauling heavy teams up the drop; and supplied an illuminated clock for the North Ferry head-house, Boston side, beside doing an unusual amount of painting and overhauling, the details being given in the Deputy Superintendent's report.

PAVING DIVISION.

Established two new stone crushing plants.

Paved with granite blocks and regulated some 45 streets, six of which were laid on a concrete base, covering 108,952 square yards of block paving in roadway, and 69,800 square yards of gutter paving. Over 2,000,000 new paving blocks were used during the season.

Paved sixteen short streets with asphalt, and two long stretches of boulevards, involving 24,782 square yards of Trinidad lake asphalt and 26,717 square yards of Sicilian rock asphalt, all on concrete foundation, and increasing the asphalt surface by 51,500 square yards.

Furnishing and setting 101,550 linear feet of new edge-stone as against about 50,000 feet for an ordinary year, and making a total length of edgestone set and reset of 227,991 linear feet.

Laying 13,647 square yards of artificial stone sidewalks.

Laying and relaying 117,492 square yards of brick paving.

Construction has been in progress on twenty-five streets laid out by the Board of Street Commissioners under chapter 323 of the Acts of 1891, and amendments relating thereto, beside the general construction of the four large boulevards mentioned elsewhere. Fifteen of these streets have been finished.

In connection with the work of the Paving Division the West End Street Railway Co. have paved over forty miles of track, over twenty-four miles of which required new blocks, laid under city inspection.

SEWER DIVISION.—PUMPING STATION.

Built over twenty-nine miles of sewers, 346 catch-basins and drop inlets, repaired 381 catch-basins, and cleaned 6,041 catch-basins, removing therefrom about 20,550 cubic yards filthy material. Also built 474 linear feet of culverts. Six thousand four hundred and thirty-one cubic yards of sludge were received at the Improved Sewerage Pumping Station. There are now 444.47 miles of sewers in charge of this division.

SANITARY DIVISION.

Collected and removed 363,975 loads of house dirt and ashes, and 56,402 loads of house offal.

STREET CLEANING DIVISION.

Cleaned 12,080 miles of streets, removing 112,961 loads of dirt.

STREET WATERING DIVISION.

Sprinkled 347.16 miles of streets during the season at a less cost than for any year since 1891.

In addition to this report, nine appendices are herewith submitted, in which will be found the report of the several Deputy Superintendents and Smoke Inspector, showing the expenditure of each division in detail; also the report of the City Engineer relative to work assigned to him by this department for either supervision or estimate. They are as follows:

- Appendix A — Bridge Division.
- “ B — Ferry Division.
- “ C — Paving Division.
- “ D — Sanitary Division.
- “ E — Sewer Division.
- “ F — Street-Cleaning Division.
- “ G — Street-Watering Division.
- “ H — Street Construction, etc., assigned to the
City Engineer.
- “ I — Smoke Inspector.
- “ J — Former Superintendents and Document
Numbers.

Respectfully submitted,

BENJAMIN W. WELLS,

Superintendent of Streets.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER.

BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1897.

Mr. BENJ. W. WELLS, *Superintendent of Streets*:

DEAR SIR: I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the operations and expenses of the Street Department, the same being a full statement thereof for the year 1896.

Yours respectfully,

HENRY B. WOOD,

Executive Engineer.

CENTRAL OFFICE DIVISION.

EXPENSES OF THE CENTRAL OFFICE.

For the current expenses of the Central Office the City Council appropriated the sum of nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000), which was expended as follows:

Salaries	\$17,045 91
General office expenditures	1,735 94
Total	<u>\$18,781 85</u>

leaving a balance of two hundred eighteen dollars and fifteen cents (\$218.15), which was transferred to the Street Cleaning Division.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT APPROPRIATION.

From Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.

MAINTENANCE.

APPROPRIATION.	Appropriations and transfers during 1896.	Revenue.	Total Credits.	Expenditures for the 12 months ending Jan. 31, 1897.	Balances Jan. 31, 1897.
Street Department:					
Central Office.....	\$18,781 85	.....	1 \$18,781 85	\$18,781 85	
Bridge Division.....	119,963 13	.....	2 119,963 55	119,963 55	
Boston and Cambridge Bridges.....	13,835 54	.....	3 13,835 54	13,835 54	
Ferry Division.....	218,353 10	.....	4 218,353 10	218,353 10	
Paving Division.....	626,202 61	2,472 85	5 628,675 46	628,675 46	
Sanitary Division.....	477,241 54	.....	6 477,241 54	477,241 54	
Sewer Division.....	276,615 25	.....	7 276,615 25	276,615 25	
Street Cleaning Division.....	310,266 39	.....	8 310,266 39	310,266 39	
Street Watering Division.....	71,211 81	.....	9 71,211 81	71,211 81	
Totals.....	\$2,131,601 22	\$3,343 27	\$2,134,944 49	\$2,134,944 49	
1 Appropriation 1896-97.....	\$19,000 00		6 Appropriation 1896-97.....		\$435,000 00
Transferred to Street Cleaning Division.....	218 15		Transferred from Soldiers' Relief.....		\$11,000 00
2 Appropriation 1896-97.....	\$18,751 85		" " Police Department.....		29,330 39
Work done and paid for by Boston and Albany Railroad Co.....	.....		" " Surplus Revenue 1896-97.....		1,911 15
Transferred to Street Cleaning Division.....	\$120,870 42				42,241 54
3 Appropriation 1896-97.....	\$119,963 55		7 Appropriation 1896-97.....		\$280,000 00
Transferred from Paving Division.....	.....		Transferred to Street Watering Division.....		\$1,211 81
4 Appropriation 1896-97.....	\$13,000 00		" " Cleaning.....		2,172 94
Transferred from Paving Division.....	.....				3,384 75
5 Appropriation 1896-97.....	\$218,000 00		8 Appropriation 1896-97.....		\$276,615 25
Transferred from "Awning," North Ferry, Boston side, 96 09	.....		Transferred from Central Office.....		\$300,000 00
Transferred to Street Cleaning Division.....	353 15		" " Bridge Division.....		\$218 15
6 Appropriation 1896-97.....	\$218,353 15		" " Ferry.....		906 87
Transferred from Paving Division.....	.....		" " Paving.....		0 05
7 Appropriation 1896-97.....	218,353 10		" " Sewer.....		2,961 85
Transferred to Street Cleaning Division.....	.....		" " Surplus Revenue.....		2,172 94
8 Appropriation 1896-97.....	\$630,000 00				4,006 53
Repaving for Corporations.....	2,472 85		9 Appropriation 1896-97.....		\$310,266 39
Transferred to Boston and Cambridge Bridges.....	\$632,472 85		Transferred from Sewer Division.....		\$70,000 00
" " Street Cleaning Division.....	.....				1,211 81
	3,797 39				\$71,211 81
	\$628,675 46				

Comparative Table showing Cost of Maintenance of the Street Department since Organization.

DIVISION.	1891-92. (13 months.)	1892-93.	1893-94.	1894-95.	1895-96.	1896-97.
Central Office	¹ \$16,050 00	\$18,793 60	\$20,805 96	\$20,884 29	\$18,315 79	\$18,781 85
Bridge	123,010 63	128,954 37	133,159 24	130,137 21	119,716 00	119,963 55
Boston and Cambridge Bridges	11,866 42	11,079 76	11,493 16	11,986 85	12,537 33	13,835 54
Ferry .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	209,911 30	218,353 10
Paving	872,986 40	915,460 99	745,081 52	715,608 62	683,899 42	628,075 46
Sanitary	² 509,342 24	469,370 74	481,300 63	467,459 02	432,778 52	477,241 54
Sewer	446,222 69	560,608 19	373,517 38	304,133 40	280,506 07	276,615 25
Street Cleaning	215,929 33	288,320 42	308,707 30	301,477 44	305,998 50	310,266 39
Street Watering	104,263 62	94,507 80	99,430 16	87,169 08	76,424 70	71,211 81
Totals	\$3,299,621 33	\$2,487,065 87	\$2,174,095 35	\$2,038,855 91	4 \$2,140,177 63	\$2,134,944 49

¹ Nine months only.² Includes street cleaning for four months to May 1, 1891.³ Nine months only, but includes expenditure for Street Police, May 1 to July 10, 1891 — \$464.41.⁴ For comparison, deduct Ferry Division, not before shown, making total — \$1,330,266.33.

Bridge Division Specials.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Appropriations, Balances and Transfers.	Expended from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.	Balances on hand Jan. 31, 1897.
Charles-river Bridge, draw.....	\$2,924 16	\$2,517 12	\$407 04
Chelsea Bridge, North, rebuilding, etc..	13,261 64	8,231 10	5,030 54
Chelsea-street Bridge, rebuilding, etc...	See note.		
Essex-street Bridge, reconstruction....	6,500 00	4,969 43	1,530 57
Gold-street Bridge.....	18,597 58	28 25	18,569 33
Meridian-street Bridge, reconstructing,	14,260 48	11,426 87	2,833 61
Totals.....	\$55,543 86	\$27,172 77	\$28,371 09

NOTE. — The balance on hand, \$4,260.48, Feb. 1, 1896, was transferred to the appropriation for Meridian-street Bridge.

Ferry Division Specials.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Appropriations, Balances and Transfers.	Expended from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.	Balances on hand Jan. 31, 1897.
Awning, North Ferry, East Boston side,	\$742 94	\$742 94	
New Ferry Landing (Chap. 435, Acts of 1895).....	500,000 00	21,961 61	\$478,038 39
South Drop, South Ferry, Boston side..	See note.		
Totals.....	\$500,742 94	\$22,704 55	\$478,038 39

NOTE. — The balance on hand, Feb. 1, 1896, \$96.09, was transferred to the appropriation for Ferry Division "Clock for Head-house."

Paving Division Specials.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Appropriations, Balances and Transfers.	Expended from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.	Balances on hand Jan. 31, 1897.
Adams st., Ward 24.....	\$7,500 00	.....	\$7,500 00
Adelaide st., Ward 22.....	4,000 00	.....	4,000 00
Arklow st.....	635 20	.....	635 20
Bennington and Walley sts.....	11,924 90	\$11,924 90	
Brooks st., Ward 25.....	25,000 00	.....	25,000 00
Bunker Hill st.....	366 19	.....	366 19
Carleton st., Ward 10.....	8,000 00	.....	8,000 00
Centre st., Dorchester.....	8,000 00	867 10	7,132 90
Carried forward	\$65,426 29	\$12,792 00	\$52,634 29

Paving Division Specials. — Concluded.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Appropriations, Balances and Transfers.	Expended from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.	Balances on hand Jan. 31, 1897.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$65,426 29	\$12,792 00	\$52,634 29
Centre st., Roxbury, from Hog Bridge to Day st.....	5,000 00	.....	5,000 00
Columbus ave., Asphalt, from Massachusetts ave. to Northampton st.....	7,100 00	7,100 00	
Commonwealth ave., Construction.....	137,227 88	130,471 33	6,756 55
Congress and L sts.....	10,566 78	7,608 17	2,958 61
Eleanor and Ridgemont sts., Ward 25..	716 36	110 85	605 51
Elmira st., Ward 25.....	1,000 00	1,000 00	
Franklin st., Ward 25.....	1,800 00	99 48	1,700 52
Freeport st., Ward 24.....	7,500 00	.....	7,500 00
Hanover st., Charter to Tileston st.....	3,827 66	3,827 66	
Leicester st., Ward 25.....	2,000 00	2,000 00	
McLellan st., Old Road to White st....	5,756 40	4,056 84	1,699 56
Orleans st., Maverick to Gove st.....	2,578 80	2,578 80	
Quincy st., Ward 4.....	14,138 00	8,419 18	5,718 82
Rand st., Roxbury.....	3,600 00	.....	3,600 00
Saratoga st., Filling.....	2,022 20	2,022 20	
State st., Paving.....	18,000 00	.....	18,000 00
Sydney st., Ward 20... ..	7,500 00	436 40	7,063 60
Talbot ave., Dorchester ave. to Washington st.	2,171 62	2,171 62	
Tremont st., Lenox st. to Roxbury Crossing.....	25,000 00	9,501 26	15,498 74
Wall st., Paving.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	
Washington st., Eliot to Dover st.....	35,000 00	.....	35,000 00
Totals.....	\$362,931 99	\$199,195 79	\$163,736 20

Street Improvements.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Appropriations, Balances and Transfers.	Expended from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.	Balances on hand Jan. 31, 1897.
Street Improvements, Old Wards 1 and 2....	\$16,296 95	\$16,296 95	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 3.....	13,006 81	13,006 81	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 4.....	1,643 16	1,643 16	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 5.....	5,125 85	5,125 85	
Street Improvements, Old Wards 9 and 10...	5,850 24	5,850 24	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$41,923 01	\$41,923 01	

Street Improvements. — Concluded.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Appropriations, Balances and Transfers.	Expended from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.	Balances on hand Jan. 31, 1897.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$41,923 01	\$41,923 01	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 12.....	22,509 32	¹ 22,509 32	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 13.....	20,937 95	20,937 95	
Street Improvements, Old Wards 14 and 15..	27,320 87	27,320 87	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 15.....	891 39	891 39	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 16.....	1,092 13	1,092 13	
Street Improvements, Old Wards 17 and 18..	5,086 99	5,086 99	
Street Improvements, Old Wards 19 and 22..	15,857 22	15,857 22	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 20.....	12,889 36	12,889 36	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 24.....	7,530 60	7,530 60	
Street Improvements, Old Ward 25.....	4,409 11	4,409 11	
Street Improvements, New Ward 1.....	25,000 00	24,851 84	\$148 16
Street Improvements, New Ward 2.....	29,621 20	29,283 92	337 28
Street Improvements, New Ward 3.....	25,000 00	7,227 61	17,772 39
Street Improvements, New Ward 4.....	25,000 00	11,530 61	13,469 39
Street Improvements, New Ward 5.....	25,000 00	24,467 48	532 52
Street Improvements, New Ward 6.....	25,860 86	24,698 36	1,162 50
Street Improvements, New Ward 7.....	28,069 85	25,000 00	3,069 85
Street Improvements, New Ward 8.....	27,670 13	24,280 84	3,389 29
Street Improvements, New Ward 9.....	38,525 95	23,916 01	14,609 94
Street Improvements, New Ward 10.....	25,000 00	22,924 99	2,075 01
Street Improvements, New Ward 11.....	25,000 00	23,275 63	1,724 37
Street Improvements, New Ward 12.....	25,000 00	19,882 77	5,117 23
Street Improvements, New Ward 13.....	25,000 00	14,882 15	10,117 85
Street Improvements, New Ward 14.....	25,000 00	10,472 11	14,527 89
Street Improvements, New Ward 15.....	25,000 00	10,153 64	14,846 36
Street Improvements, New Ward 16.....	25,000 00	15,267 17	9,732 83
Street Improvements, New Ward 17.....	25,000 00	25,000 00	
Street Improvements, New Ward 18.....	25,000 00	18,317 52	6,682 48
Street Improvements, New Ward 19.....	25,000 00	9,421 82	15,578 18
Street Improvements, New Ward 20.....	25,000 00	25,000 00	
Street Improvements, New Ward 21.....	25,000 00	20,426 59	4,573 41
Street Improvements, New Ward 22.....	25,000 00	23,308 63	1,691 37
Street Improvements, New Ward 23.....	50,000 00	50,000 00	
Street Improvements, New Ward 24.....	25,000 00	25,000 00	
Street Improvements, New Ward 25.....	25,000 00	8,862 47	16,137 53
Totals	\$835,195 94	\$677,900 11	\$157,295 83

¹ Draft of \$1,444.15 retained by Auditor.

Sewer Division Specials.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Appropriations, Balances and Transfers.	Expended from Feb. 1, 1896 to Jan. 31, 1897.	Balances on hand Jan. 31, 1897.
Back Bay Outlet.....	\$5,000 00		\$5,000 00
Canal Street Relief Sewer	25,000 00	\$7,537 97	17,462 03
Connections with Metropolitan Sewer, Charlestown.....	23,000 00	2,369 64	20,636 36
Connections with Metropolitan Sewer, East Boston.....	25,000 00	5,874 33	19,125 67
D-Street Outlet and Relief Sewer, Dorchester ave., South Boston.....	23,000 00		23,000 00
Forest-avenue Section, Temporary Sewer Outlet, etc.....	23,116 65	21,801 71	1,314 94
Pumping Station Improvements	10,000 00	5,017 75	4,982 25
Sewer Outlet, Porter st.....	16,000 00		16,000 00
Sewer Outlet, Low Level, W. Roxbury Dist..	7,824 64	4,643 57	3,181 07
Sewers, South Boston.....	877 51	82 80	794 71
Sewer Outlets, South Boston.....	35,000 00	18,895 08	16,104 92
Shamrock-street Outlet.	8,000 00	958 05	7,041 95
Storm Sewer, Cornwall and Washington sts., Ward 22.....	3,500 00	2,903 52	596 48
Stony Brook Damages.....	25 00		25 00
Stony Brook Improvement.....	500,000 00	98,150 74	401,849 26
South Union Station (Chap. 516, Acts of 1896.)		1,847 02	
Totals	\$705,343 80	\$170,082 18	\$537,114 64

Laying Out and Construction of Highways.

Expenditures.

Sewer construction	\$435,538 20
Street construction	¹ 174,961 88
Totals	<u>\$610,500 08</u>

¹ Drafts of \$380.00 retained by Auditor.

Blue Hill and other Avenues.*Expenditures.*

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Street Construction.	Sewer Construction.	Totals.
Blue Hill ave.....	¹ \$170,319 56	\$63,714 00	\$234,033 56
Columbus ave.....	205,425 15	48,481 68	253,906 83
Commonwealth ave.....	² 49,628 73	15,467 49	65,096 22
Huntington ave.....	³ 277,745 49	16,096 72	293,842 21
Totals.....	\$703,118 93	\$143,759 89	\$846,878 82

¹ Draft of \$800.00 retained by Auditor.² Draft of \$4,051.99 retained by Auditor.³ Draft of \$919.19 retained by Auditor.**Recapitulation of Expenditures for the Twelve Months ending
Jan. 31, 1897.**

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Current Expenses for the twelve months ending Jan. 31, 1897.	Special Appropriations.	Totals.
Street Department:			
Central Office	\$18,781 85	.....	\$18,781 85
Bridge Division.....	119,963 55	\$27,172 77	147,136 32
Boston and Cambridge Bridges	13,835 54	.....	13,835 54
Ferry Division.....	218,353 10	22,704 55	241,057 65
Paving Division	628,675 46	199,195 79	827,871 25
Sanitary Division	477,241 54	.....	477,241 54
Sewer Division	276,615 25	170,082 18	446,697 43
Street-Cleaning Division.....	310,266 39	.....	310,266 39
Street Watering Division.....	71,211 81	.....	71,211 81
Street Improvements .....	.....	677,900 11	677,900 11
Laying Out and Construction of Highways.....	.....	610,500 08	610,500 08
Blue Hill and other avenues .....	.....	846,878 82	846,878 82
Totals.....	\$2,134,944 49	\$2,554,434 30	\$4,689,378 79

**Street Building Under Chap. 323 of the Acts of 1891, or
Special Acts or Amendments thereto.**

STREET.	Paving.	Sewer.	Totals.
Abbotsford st.....	\$4,777 42	\$179 85	\$4,957 27
Audubon Road.....	9,299 55	631 13	9,930 68
Bay State Road.....	7,722 79	119 36	7,842 15
Boylston st.....	11,516 65	21,464 02	32,980 67
Brighton ave.....	51,243 19	231 57	51,474 76
Chamberlain st.....		910 77	910 77
Clinton st.....	6,942 71	842 36	7,785 07
Fenlon st.....	1,915 66	648 78	2,564 44
Fullerton st.....		85 20	85 20
Gaylord st.....		927 93	927 93
Geneva ave.....	17,249 19	4,597 48	21,846 67
Granby st.....	4,737 01	14 26	4,751 27
Greenbrier st.....	5,317 10	1,674 01	6,991 11
Harvard ave.....	2,498 39	139 96	2,638 35
Harvard st.....	1,224 39		1,224 39
Ivy st.....	366 12		366 12
Josephine st.	3,210 79	60 18	3,270 97
Kenmore st.....	48 71		48 71
Latriat ave.....	16,577 13	12,360 79	28,937 92
Morse st.....	2,086 09	375 26	2,461 35
Newbury st.....	66 70		66 70
Norway st.....	1,460 87		1,460 87
Parker st.....	1,192 51		1,192 51
Peterborough st.....	5,869 98		5,869 98
Ruggles st.....	5,017 34	5,218 93	10,236 27
Sherborn st.....	210 71		210 71
St. Alphonsus st.....	7,276 14	618 16	7,894 30
St. Germain st.....	251 92		251 92
Turner st.....	1,834 49		1,834 49
Vancouver st.....	1,643 12	159 33	1,802 45
Wilder st.....	3,405 21	1,101 93	4,507 14
Wolcott st.....		2,870 89	2,870 89
Totals.....	\$174,961 88	\$55,232 15	\$230,194 03

**List of Contracts from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897, made
by the Street Department.**

Paving-Blocks.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price per M. deliv- ered on wharves.
Large paving-blocks, 300,000	Lanesville Granite Co.	March 30, 1896.	\$48 24
Large paving-blocks, 300,000.....	Rockport Granite Co.	April 6, 1896.	48 24
Gutter paving-blocks 500,000.....	Rockport Granite Co.	April 21, 1896.	39 50

Spruce Lumber.

DISTRICT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price per M. ft. B. M.	Price for Planing per M. ft.
East Boston	Jewett Lumber Co.....	Feb. 24, 1896.	\$15 45	\$1 50
Charlestown.....	J. O. Wetherbee.....	"	15 70	1 00
South Boston	Curtis & Pope Lumber Co.,	"	15 25	0 95
Brighton.....	" "	"	15 25	0 95
Dorchester	" "	"	15 88	0 95
Roxbury.....	" "	"	15 45	0 95
West Roxbury.....	" "	"	16 00	0 95
City Proper.....	" "	"	15 25	0 95
Harvard Bridge, 170 M. Ft. B. M.....	G. W. Gale Lumber Co. ...	Sept. 2, 1896.	13 88	

Beach Gravel.

DISTRICT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price per ton.
City Wharves.....	J. P. O'Riorden.....	March 12, 1896.	\$0.57 $\frac{3}{4}$ delivered on wharves.

Coal.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price per ton, 2,240 lbs.
1,500 tons, Pumping Station, Dorchester.....	L. G. Burnham & Co.....	Feb. 14, 1896.	\$3 15
1,500 tons, Pumping Station, Dorchester.....	L. G. Burnham & Co.....	May 25, 1896.	3 11
1,500 tons, Pumping Station, Dorchester.....	L. G. Burnham & Co.....	Oct. 16, 1896.	3 31
2,500 tons, Ferry Wharves..	John Morrison.....	Feb. 5, 1896.	3 03
2,500 “ “	L. G. Burnham & Co.....	April 11, 1896	3 28
3,000 “ “	John Morrison.....	Nov. 23, 1896.	3 31

Iron Castings.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated.	Price per 100 lbs.
Iron Castings	Osgood & Hart.....	March 16, 1896.	\$1 20

Bank Gravel and Sand.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	PRICE.			
			Gravel.		Sand.	
			A.	B.	A.	B.
South Boston, District 1...	P. O'Riorden...	March 13, 1896..	\$1.49	\$0.73	\$1.49	\$0.73
Charlestown, District 3 ..	P. O'Riorden...	March 13, 1896..	1.73	0.80	1.60	0.80
City Proper, Districts 8, 9 and 10	P. O'Riorden...	March 13, 1896..	1.49	0.75	1.60	0.70
East Boston, District 2...	L. F. Leary....	March 13, 1896..	1.49	0.75	1.49	0.75
Brighton, District 4.....	W. Scollans....	March 13, 1896..	1.70	0.85	1.80	0.90
West Roxbury, District 5,	J. Doonan.....	March 13, 1896..	0.90	0.45	0.90	0.45
Dorchester, District 6... .	J. McGovern...	March 13, 1896..	1.32	0.66	1.59	0.80
Roxbury, District 7	O. Nawn.....	March 13, 1896..	1.75	0.75	1.85	0.90

EXPLANATION OF LETTERS.

A. — Double Loads.

B. — Single Loads.

Paving Bricks (Sidewalks).

DISTRICT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price per 1,000.
South Boston.....	W. C. Norcross Co.....	April 23, 1896.....	\$9.75
West Roxbury.....	W. C. Norcross Co.....	April 23, 1896.....	11.00
Roxbury.....	W. C. Norcross Co.....	April 23, 1896.....	9.75
City Proper, Districts 8 and 9...	W. C. Norcross Co.....	April 23, 1896.....	9.50
East Boston.....	O. S. Foster.....	April 23, 1896.....	9.50
Charlestown.....	O. S. Foster.....	April 23, 1896.....	9.50
City Proper, District 10.....	O. S. Foster.....	April 23, 1896.....	9.50
Brighton.....	Parry Bros. & Co.....	April 23, 1896.....	10.40
Dorchester.....	F. A. Merriam & Co.....	April 23, 1896.....	9.85

North River and Granite Flagging.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	PRICE PER SQ. FT.	
			On wharves.	On Streets.
North River.....	J. J. Cuddihy.....	March 12, 1896.....	\$0.29	\$0.31½
Granite.....	Rockport Granite Co.....	March 12, 1896.....	0.28½	

Special Edgestone.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Furnishing about 10,000 lineal feet Special Edgestone on Huntington ave., between Massachusetts ave. and Fremont st.....	A. Ford & Son.....	May 18, 1896.....	\$0.39 per lineal foot.

Lease of Land, etc.

CONTRACT.	Lessor.	Dated	Price.
Flats and docks for public landing, East Boston...	East Boston Dry Dock Co. ...	July 10, 1896.....	\$250 per year, payable quarterly.

Lease of Ledge Lots, Quarrying Stone, etc.

CONTRACT.	Lessor.	Dated	Terms.
Lease of ledge lot for quarrying and removing stone from Kenney st., near Day st. ¹	J. W. Kenney	March 12, 1895	\$0.15 per ton.
Lease of ledge lot for quarrying and removing stone from Rosseter st. ²	W. T. Emerson.....	March 12, 1895	\$0.25 per ton.
Lease of ledge lot for quarrying and removing stone from Washington st., cor. of Townsend st.,	M. J. Kelley	March 25, 1896	\$0.25 per ton.

¹ Extended Feb. 1, 1896, for three years.² Extended Feb. 1, 1896, for two years.

Lease of Ledge Lots, Quarrying Stone, etc. — *Concluded.*

CONTRACT.	Lessor.	Dated	Terms.
Lease of ledge lot for quarrying and removing stone from Heath st., near Day st. ³	F. Bleiler.....	March 30, 1896.....	\$0.20 per ton.
Lease of ledge lot for quarrying and removing stone from Centre st., between Allandale and Walter sts. ⁴	John M. Minton.....	Aug. 1, 1896.....	\$0.18 per ton.
Quarrying and delivering stone to Dimock-street crusher.....	H. P. Nawn.....	April 13, 1896.....	\$0.80 per ton.
Quarrying, crushing and delivering stone from Savin Hill ave, near Grampian Way.....	J. McMorrow.....	June 1, 1896.....	{ \$1.65 per ton on streets in South Boston. 1.50 per ton on streets in Dorchester.
Quarrying and removing stone from ledge leased by city on Centre st., and delivering same on crusher platform.....	T. Minton.....	Sept. 1, 1896.....	
Quarrying and removing stone from city's ledge on Chestnut Hill ave., and delivering same on crusher platform.....	M. Kiernan.....	Sept. 10, 1896.....	\$0.70 per ton.

⁽²⁾ Extended Jan. 30, 1897, for one year.⁴ Extended Jan. 30, 1897, for three years.

Collecting and Removing Ashes.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Meeting House Hill District.....	J. McShane.....	March 31, 1896....	\$4,237 50 per year for 2 years.
East Boston District ¹	W. F. Hedington.....	July 31, 1896.....	7,300 00 " " from Aug. 1, 1896 to Feb. 1, 1898.

¹ This contract expired Feb. 1, 1896, but was extended to July 31, 1896, when new contract was awarded.

Bridge Strengthening and Miscellaneous Work.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Steel Superstructure, Southerly Section, Cottage Farm bridge.....	Boston Bridge Works.....	April 11, 1896.....	\$2,400.00
Leading 124 steel beams at Cottage Farm bridge, Northerly Section.....	E. B. Badger & Sons.....	April 9, 1896.....	\$1,617.00
Laying brick arches and cement concrete, Cottage Farm bridge, Northerly Section.....	Metropolitan Construction Co.....	April 14, 1896.....	\$2.00 per cu. yd. for concrete, \$1,800 for brick arches, etc.
Moving and placing steel beams on the abutments and pier of Cottage Farm bridge, Northerly Section.....	A. C. Richmond.....	April 13, 1896.....	\$1,900.00
Parapet, Cottage Farm bridge.....	Cape Ann Granite Co.....	May 9, 1896.....	\$2,125.00
Bearing Blocks, Cottage Farm bridge.....	Cape Ann Granite Co.....	April 17, 1896.....	\$227.96
Moving and placing steel beams on the abutments and pier of Cottage Farm bridge, Southerly Section.....	A. C. Richmond.....	July 14, 1896.....	\$1,400.00
Leading 91 steel beams at Cottage Farm bridge, Southerly Section.....	E. B. Badger & Sons.....	July 20, 1896.....	\$955.50
One iron column for the extension of the Centre Pier, Cottage Farm bridge.....	Boston Bridge Works.....	Aug. 1, 1896.....	\$44.00
Laying brick arches and cement concrete, Cottage Farm bridge, Southerly Section.	Metropolitan Construction Co.....	Aug. 28, 1896.....	\$2.00 per cu. yd. for concrete, \$1,100 for brick arches, etc.
Artificial stone sidewalks and curb at Cottage Farm bridge.	Simpson Bros.....	Oct. 2, 1896.....	\$0.25 per square foot for sidewalks; \$0.60 per lineal foot for curb.
Addition to North Abutment and extension of Centre Pier, Cottage Farm bridge.....	A. C. Richmond.....	July 7, 1896... ..	\$2,800 00.

Bridge Strengthening and Miscellaneous Work. — Concluded.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Paving with Sicilian Rock Asphalt, Northernly roadway, Cottage Farm bridge.....	Boston Asphalt Company....	June 4, 1896.....	\$2.25 per square yard.
Paving with Sicilian Rock Asphalt, Southernly roadway, Cottage Farm bridge.....	Boston Asphalt Company....	Oct. 19, 1896.....	\$2.25 per square yard.
Raising the parapets copings and wing walls of the Huntington-ave. bridge over the B. & A. R.R.	W. L. Miller.....	April 11, 1896.....	\$1,271.00.
Building new fences, plank roadway, etc., Huntington-ave. bridge, over the B. & A. R.R.....	W. L. Miller.....	April 11, 1896.....	\$39.75 per M. Ft. B. M. hard pine ; \$1,691 for all other materials and labor, etc.
Paving with Sicilian Rock Asphalt Mastic, Side-walks of Huntington-ave. bridge.....	Boston Asphalt Company....	July 11, 1896.....	\$2.75 per square yard.
Replacing the wooden trusses of the draw, Meridian-st. bridge.....	W. H. Ellis.....	April 11, 1896.....	\$60.00 per M. Ft. B. M. timber. Extra work, actual, reasonable cost, plus 13%.
Replanking roadway, Harvard bridge.....	Josiah Shaw.....	Oct. 1, 1896.....	\$497.00.
Reconstruction of Essex-st. bridge, Ward 25	W. S. Rendle.....	Oct. 14, 1896.....	(A) \$5,200.00 ; (B) \$15.00 per pile ; (C) \$33.00 per M. Ft. B. M. ; (D) \$31.00 per M. Ft. B. M.
Axles and wheels, Chelsea bridge, North	Atlantic Works.....	March 7, 1896.....	\$136.00.
Electric motor and apparatus for draw, Meridian-st. bridge	Lockwood Manufacturing Co.....	Sept. 3, 1896	\$1,535.00.

(A) Furnishing all labor and materials for the regular part of the work.
 (B) Furnishing, driving and fastening in place oak piles.

(C) Furnishing and fastening in place double hard pine girder caps.
 (D) Furnishing and fastening in place double hard pine riders.

¹ Artificial Stone Sidewalks.

CONTRACT.	Dated	Price.
Aberthaw Construction Company.....	April 29, 1896.....	6 cts. per square foot.
Bay State Artificial Stone Company.....	July 11, 1896.....	6 cts. per square foot.
E. L. Booth & Co.....	April 29, 1896.....	6 cts. per square foot.
Boston Paving Company.....	April 29, 1896.....	6 cts. per square foot.
T. J. Hind.....	April 29, 1896.....	6 cts. per square foot.
W. A. Murtfeldt.....	April 29, 1896.....	6 cts. per square foot.
Simpson Bros.....	April 29, 1896.....	6 cts. per square foot.
M. Taylor, Jr.....	April 29, 1896.....	6 cts. per square foot.
J. Uffheil.....	April 29, 1896.....	6 cts. per square foot.

¹ These walks were laid on various accepted streets where the contractor had agreements with the abutters.

Paving with Trinidad Asphalt.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Corning st., Washington st. to Shawmut ave.....	Barber Asphalt Paving Co...	May 25, 1896.....	(A) \$2.00 per square yard.
Pine st., Washington st. to Harrison ave.....	Barber Asphalt Paving Co...	June 18, 1896.....	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
Laconia st., Washington st. to Harrison ave.....	Barber Asphalt Paving Co...	June 18, 1896.....	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
Columbus ave., Massachusetts ave. to south line of Terry st.....	Barber Asphalt Paving Co...	July 15, 1896.....	(B) \$2.90 per square yard; (C) \$5.00 per cubic yard.
Water st., Liberty sq. to Broad st.....	Barber Asphalt Paving Co...	Aug. 8, 1896.....	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
Batterymarch st., Liberty sq. to Milk st.....	Barber Asphalt Paving Co...	Aug. 8, 1896.....	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.

(A) Relaying old and furnishing new wearing surface on existing concrete base. (B) Furnishing concrete base and asphalt wearing surface.
(C) Extra depth of American cement concrete base.

Paving with Sicilian Rock Asphalt.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Hanover st., Charter to Tileston st.	Boston Asphalt Co.	May 14, 1896.	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
K st., Sixth to Eighth st.	Boston Asphalt Co.	May 20, 1896.	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
Taylor st., Dwight to Milford st.	Boston Asphalt Co.	May 29, 1896.	(A) \$2.00 per square yard.
Ohio st., Washington st. to Shawmut ave.	Boston Asphalt Co.	July 8, 1896.	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
Meander st., Malden to E. Dedham st.	Boston Asphalt Co.	July 8, 1896.	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
Hamburg st., Mystic st. to Harrison ave.	Boston Asphalt Co.	July 8, 1896.	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
Mystic st., Malden to E. Brookline st.	Boston Asphalt Co.	July 8, 1896.	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
Norwich st., Mystic to Meander st.	Boston Asphalt Co.	July 8, 1896.	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.
Huntington ave., from the B. & A. R.R. bridge to Gainsboro' st., minus the intersection at Massachusetts ave.	Boston Asphalt Co.	July 15, 1896.	(B) 2.30 per square yard; (C) \$5.00 per cubic yard.
Columbus ave., south line of Terry st. to a point 60' north of Station st.	Boston Asphalt Co.	July 15, 1896.	(B) \$2.90 per square yard; (C) \$5.00 per cubic yard.
Acton st., Washington st. to Bradford st.	Boston Asphalt Co.	Oct. 12, 1896.	(B) \$3.00 per square yard.

EXPLANATION OF LETTERS.

- (A) Relaying old and furnishing new wearing surface on existing concrete base. (B) Furnishing concrete base and asphalt wearing surface.
(C) Extra depth of American cement concrete base.

Paving and Regulating.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Huntington ave., B. & A. R.R. Bridge to Massachusetts ave., paving gutters, setting edgestones, laying brick sidewalks and crosswalks, etc.....	J. B. O'Rourke.....	June 8, 1896.....	Paving gutters, \$0.20 per sq. yd.; setting edgestone, \$0.06 per lin. ft.; brick sidewalks, \$0.14 per sq. yd.; crosswalks, \$0.20 per sq. yd.
Devonshire st., State st. to Adams sq., paving with granite blocks, pitch joints on concrete base....	J. B. O'Rourke.....	June 29, 1896.....	(B) \$5.00 per cubic yd.; (C) \$0.90 per sq. yd.; (D) \$0.08 per lin. ft.; (E) \$0.18 per sq. yd.
Milk st., Oliver to India st., paving with granite blocks, pitch joints on concrete base.....	Jones & Meehan.....	Aug. 8, 1896.....	(B) \$5.00 per cubic yd.; (C) \$0.90 per sq. yd.; (D) \$0.08 per lin. ft.; (E) 0.18 per sq. yd.; (F) \$0.25 per sq. yd.
Winter st., Washington to Tremont st., paving with granite blocks, pitch joints on concrete base.....	H. Gore & Co.....	Aug. 29, 1896.....	(B) \$5.00 per cubic yd.; (C) \$0.90 per sq. yd.; (D) \$0.08 per lin. ft.; (E) \$0.18 per sq. yd.; (F) \$0.25 per sq. yd.
Lowell st., Causeway to Brighton st., paving with granite blocks, pitch joints on gravel base.....	D. J. Kiley & Co.....	Sept. 30, 1896.....	(C) \$0.90 per sq. yd.; (D) \$0.08 per lin. ft.; (E) \$0.18 per sq. yd.; (F) \$0.25 per sq. yd.
Chauncy st., Summer to Essex st., paving with granite blocks, pitch joints on concrete base....	Metropolitan Construction Co.,	Oct. 6, 1896.....	(A) \$0.25 per sq. yd.; (B) \$5.00 per cubic yd.; (C) \$0.90 per sq. yd.; (D) \$0.15 per lin. ft.; (E) \$0.23 per sq. yd.; (F) \$0.25 per sq. yd.; (G) cost, plus 15%.
Columbus ave., Massachusetts ave. to Tremont st., paving gutters, setting edgestones, laying brick sidewalks and crosswalks.....	P. Doherty.....	July 24, 1896.....	(D) \$0.05½ per lin. ft.; (E) \$0.15 per sq. yd.; (F) \$0.18 per sq. yd.
Beach st., Washington st. to Harrison ave., paving with granite blocks, pitch joints on concrete base,	J. B. O'Rourke.....	Oct. 7, 1896.....	(A) \$0.25 per sq. yd.; (B) \$5.00 per cubic yd.; (C) \$0.90 per sq. yd.; (D) \$0.15 per lin. ft.; (E) \$0.23 per sq. yd.; (F) \$0.25 per sq. yd.; (G) cost, plus 15%.

EXPLANATION OF LETTERS.

(A) Barring up and loading pavement. (B) Furnishing and laying a 6-in. American cement concrete base. (C) Laying granite block paving and pitching joints. (D) Resetting edgestones. (D¹) Resetting edgestones, including excavation. (E) Relaying brick sidewalks. (E¹) Relaying brick sidewalks, including excavation. (F) Laying granite block paving with gravel joints. (G) Raising manhole covers, catch-basin tops, etc., to grade.

Excavating, Removing Material and Grading.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Blue Hill ave., easterly side, parts of section 3, 4, and 5.....	Collins & Ham.....	June 22, 1896.....	(A) \$0.99 per cubic yd., excavation, delivering and grading material on Columbus ave. between Dimock st. and W. Walnut pk.; (B) \$0.99 per cu. yd. excavation, delivering and grading material on Geneva ave., between the Shawmut branch R.R. and Dorchester ave.; (D) \$0.50 per cu. yd., ledge excavation; (E) \$50.00, cutting down trees, etc.
Columbus ave., Massachusetts ave. to Camden st..	J. J. Sullivan.....	Sept. 24, 1896.....	(A) \$0.25 per sq. yd., excavating and delivering material within three-fourths of a mile; (B) \$0.25 per sq. yd., removing gutter paving and delivering same within three-fourths of a mile haul.
Harvard st., formerly Back st.....	J. McDonald.....	Oct. 22, 1896.....	\$0.53 per cu. yd., grading with material in the street.

Street Construction, under Chap. 323 of the Acts of 1891, or Special Acts or Amendments thereto.

Macadam Roads.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Prices.
Bay State road, Sherborn to Granby st.....	Quimby & Ferguson.....	April 18, 1896.....	(A) \$0.38; (C) \$0.27; (D ¹) \$2.10; (F) \$0.22; (H) \$0.27; (M) \$0.78.
Granby st., Commonwealth ave. to Charles river..	Quimby & Ferguson	April 18, 1896.....	(A) \$0.38; (C) \$0.27; (D ¹) \$2.10; (F) \$0.22; (H) \$0.27; (J) \$4.10; (M) \$0.78.
Josephine st., Geneva ave. to Ditson st....	J. J. Nawn.....	April 18, 1896.....	(A) \$0.22; (C) \$0.17; (D ¹) \$1.95; (F) \$0.20; (H) \$0.30; (J) \$4.30; (M) \$0.90.

Street Construction under Chap. 323 of the Acts of 1891.—Concluded.
Macadam Roads.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Abbotsford st., Walnut ave. to Harold st.	Quimby & Ferguson	May 14, 1896.	(A) \$0.38; (C) \$0.26; (D) \$0.83; (F) \$0.24; (H) \$0.26; (J) \$4.25; (L) \$2.00.
Greenbrier st., Bowdoin to Bloomfield st.	Quimby & Ferguson	May 14, 1896.	(A) \$0.32; (C) \$0.22; (D) \$2.15; (F) \$0.24; (H) \$0.22; (J) \$4.25; (M) \$0.75; (N) \$25.00.
St. Alphonsus st., Tremont to Calumet st.	Quimby & Ferguson	May 14, 1896.	(A) \$0.38; (C) \$0.27; (D) \$0.82; (F) \$0.24; (H) \$0.22; (J) \$4.25; (L) \$1.80; (M) \$0.75; (P) \$89.
Morse st., Washington st. to Bowdoin ave.	D. E. Lynch	Sept. 24, 1896.	(A) \$0.28; (C) \$0.17; (D) \$0.65; (F) \$0.14; (H) \$0.25; (J) \$4.50; (M) \$0.30.
Fenelon st., Washington to Merrill st.	D. E. Lynch	Sept. 24, 1896.	(A) \$0.28; (C) \$0.17; (D) \$0.65; (F) \$0.25; (H) \$0.25; (J) \$4.50; (M) \$0.30.
Wilder st., Washington st. to Geneva ave.	T. F. Finneran and M. J. O'Hearn	Sept. 26, 1896.	(A) \$0.23; (C) \$0.18; (D) \$0.60; (F) \$0.20; (H) \$0.25; (J) \$5.00; (M) \$1.00.
Lauriat ave., Blue Hill ave. to Tucker st.	Doherty & Connors.	Sept. 22, 1896.	(A) \$0.29; (C) \$0.23; (D) \$0.54; (F) \$0.25; (H) \$0.23; (J) \$4.50; (M) \$0.61.
Boylston st., Boylston road to Brookline ave.	N. McBride	Oct. 17, 1896.	(A) \$0.20; (C) \$0.20; (D) \$0.20; (F) \$0.20; (H) \$0.20; (J) \$5.00; (M) \$0.30.
Geneva ave., Westville st. to Dorchester ave.	T. F. Finneran and M. J. O'Hearn	Nov. 9, 1896.	(A) \$0.32; (C) \$0.18; (D) \$0.27; (F) \$0.18; (H) \$0.22; (J) \$4.30; (M) \$0.73.

EXPLANATION OF LETTERS.

(A) Sub-grading per cu. yd. (C) Macadam (placed) per sq. yd. (D) Granite block gutters laid per sq. yd. (D²) Granite block gutters furnished and laid per sq. yd. (F) Setting edgelines per lin. ft. (H) Furnishing and laying gravel sidewalks per sq. yd. (J) Furnishing and laying flagging cross-walks per sq. yd. (L) Ledge excavation per cu. yd. (M) Gravel furnished per cu. yd. (N) Removing trees, stumps, etc. (P) Removing stone walls, etc.

Street Construction under Chap. 323 of the Acts of 1891, or Special Acts or Amendments thereto.

Telford Macadam Roads.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Commonwealth-avenue extension, Chestnut Hill ave. to the Newton line.....	J. A. Whittemore's Sons.....	May 4, 1896.....	(A) \$0.25; (B) \$0.15; (C) \$0.16; (D) \$0.70; (E) \$0.10; (H) \$0.20; (J) \$5.00; (L) \$1.00; (M) \$0.40; (NN) \$0.20; (P) \$0.30.
Blue Hill ave., Seaver to Washington st.....	D. E. Lynch.....	June 2, 1896.....	(A) \$0.40; (B) \$0.31; (C) \$0.15; (D) \$0.65; (F) \$0.29; (H) \$0.30; (J) \$4.50; (M) \$0.50.
Huntington ave., Longwood ave. to the Brookline line	Doherty & Connors.....	June 2, 1896.....	(A) \$0.39; (B) \$0.21; (C) \$0.25; (D) \$0.45; (F) \$0.23; (G) \$0.44; (H) \$0.25; (J) \$4.50; (M) \$0.79; (N) \$255.00.
Audubon road, Beacon, across Ivy st.....	W. Scollans.....	June 19, 1896.....	(A) \$0.25; (B) \$0.37; (C) \$0.31; (D) \$0.85; (E) \$0.40; (F) \$0.30; (G) \$0.95; (J) \$4.25; (M) \$0.75.
Huntington ave., Gainsboro' st., across Longwood ave.....	H. Gore & Co.....	July 24, 1896.....	(A) \$0.25; (F) \$0.24; (C) \$0.19½; (D) \$0.49; (F) \$0.17; (FF) \$0.15; (G) \$0.42; (H) \$0.30; (J) \$4.50; (M) \$0.75.
Columbus ave., West Walnut Park to Walnut ave., Blue Hill ave., Canterbury st. to within 500' north of Lauriat ave.....	Collins & Ham.....	Aug. 14, 1896.....	(A) \$0.45; (B) \$0.15½; (C) \$0.07½; (D) \$0.30; (F) \$0.14; (G) \$0.53; (H) \$0.30; (J) \$5.25; (M) \$0.50; (N) \$325.00.
Blue Hill ave. 500' north of Lauriat avenue to Walk Hill st	H. P. Nawn.....	Aug. 31, 1896.....	(A) \$0.40; (F) \$0.40; (HB) \$0.15; (C) \$0.41; (D) \$0.61; (E) \$0.10; (F) \$0.20; (H) \$0.25; (J) \$4.50; (M) \$1.00; (I) \$0.50; (CC) \$0.0001.
Blue Hill ave. 500' north of Lauriat avenue to Walk Hill st	Doherty & Connors.....	Aug. 31, 1896.....	(A) \$0.27; (F) \$0.31; (BF) \$0.14; (C) \$0.25; (D) \$0.55; (B) \$0.11; (V) \$0.25; (U) \$0.27; (J) \$4.35; (M) \$0.60; (I) \$0.51.

EXPLANATION OF LETTERS.

(A) Sub-grading per cu. yd. (B) Telford base placed per sq. yd. (BB) Telford base, extra haul, per sq. yd. (C) Macadam placed per sq. yd. (CC) Trap rock per sq. yd. in excess of price paid for Roxbury stone for macadam. (D) Granite block cutters laid per sq. yd. (E) Furnishing loam per sq. yd. (F) Setting edgestones per lin. ft. (FF) Setting special edgestones per lin. ft. (G) Brick sidewalks, laying per sq. yd. (H) Furnishing and laying gravel sidewalks per sq. yd. (I) 6-in. pipe-drain per lin. ft. (J) Furnishing and laying flagging crosswalks per sq. yd. (L) Ledere excavation per cu. d. (M) Gravel furnished per cu. yd. (N) Removing trees, stumps, etc. (NN) Loam retained per cu. yd. (P) Breaking and hauling stone per cu. yd.

Sewer Construction under Chap. 323 of the Acts of 1891, or Special Acts or Amendments thereto.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Sewer and connections, Blue Hill ave., Sect. 9.....	F. A. Snow.....	April 13, 1896.....	(D) \$0.45 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.15 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.15 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (K) \$35.00 each manholes; (L) \$3.50 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (AA) \$50.00 each, catch-basins; (ZZ) \$10.00 each, drop inlets.
Sewer and connections, Commonwealth ave., Sect. 7.....	J. Dolan.....	April 18, 1896.....	(A) \$0.25 per cu. yd. earth excavation and refill for 10-in. pipe sewer; (B) \$0.10 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe sewer; (C) \$34.00 each, manholes; (D) \$3.25 per cu. yd. rock excavation.
Sewer and connections, Audubon road.....	J. Dolan.....	April 18, 1896.....	(D) \$0.45 per lin. ft. 12-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.40 per lin. ft. 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.30 per lin. ft. 8-in. pipe house-drain; (K) \$30.00 each, manholes; (AA) \$45.00 each, catch-basins.
Sewer and connections, Commonwealth ave., Sect. 5.....	F. A. Snow.....	May 1, 1896.....	(A) \$0.20 per cu. yd. earth excavation and refill for sewer manholes, etc.; (B, C and D) \$0.10 per lin. ft. laying 10 and 12-in. pipe sewer and catch-basin drain; (E) \$10.00 manholes; (F) \$4.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (O) \$10.00 each, catch-basins; (P) \$10.00 each, drop inlets.
Sewer and connections, Blue Hill ave., Sect. 14.....	J. Dolan.....	May 20, 1896.....	(D) \$0.43 per lin. ft. 12-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.35 per lin. ft. 18-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.25 per lin. ft. 12-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (G) \$0.25 per lin. ft. 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (K) \$34.00 each, manholes; (L) \$3.12 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (AA) \$40.00 each, catch-basins; (ZZ) \$10.00 each, drop inlets.
Sewer and connections, Blue Hill ave., Sect. 16.....	J. P. O'Connell.....	June 13, 1896.....	(A) \$0.30 per lin. ft. earth excavation for 30-in. pipe culvert; (B) \$0.30 per lin. ft. 30-in. pipe culvert; (C) \$0.50 per lin. ft. 18-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (D) \$0.50 per lin. ft. 15-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (K) \$20.00 each, manholes; (L) \$3.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (N) \$3.00 per cu. yd. Portland cement concrete; (O) \$3.00 per cu. yd. American cement concrete; (P) \$3.00 per cu. yd. rubble stone masonry; (AA) \$40.00 each, catch-basins; (ZZ) \$13.00 each, drop inlets.

Sewer Construction under Chap. 323 of the Acts of 1891, etc. — *Continued.*

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Sewer and connections, Blue Hill ave., Sect. 7..... 32	J. P. O'Connell.....	June 30, 1896.....	(A, B and C) \$0.10 per lin. ft. laying 10 and 12-in. pipe sewer and catch-basin drain; (D) \$26.00 each, man-holes; (E) \$0.50 per cu. yd. loose rock excavation; (F) \$3.00 per cu. yd. solid rock excavation; (G) \$0.50 per cu. yd. earth excavation for 10 and 12 in. pipe sewer, etc.; (AA) \$32.00 each, catch-basin; (ZZ) \$10.00 each, drop inlets.
Sewer and connections, Blue Hill ave., Sect. 13.....	T. H. Connolly.....	July 9, 1896.....	(A) \$0.10 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (B, C, D, E, F) \$0.10 per lin. ft. laying 10, 12, 15, 18 and 20-inch pipe catch-basin drain; (K) \$35.00 each, man-holes; (L) \$0.50 per cu. yd. loose rock excavation; (M) \$2.50 per cu. yd. solid rock excavation; (N) \$0.25 per cu. yd. earth excavation for pipe sewer and catch-basin drain; (AA) \$35.00 each, catch-basins; (ZZ) \$20.00 each, drop inlets.
Sewer and connections, Blue Hill ave., Sect. 15.....	J. Dolan.....	July 16, 1896.....	(A) \$0.20 per lin. ft. laying 18-in. pipe sewer; (B and D) \$0.15 per lin. ft. laying 15-in. pipe sewer and catch-basin drain; (C and E) \$0.10 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer and catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.10 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (K) \$33.00 each man-holes; (L) \$0.50 per cu. yd. loose rock excavation; (M) \$3.00 per cu. yd. solid rock excavation; (N) \$0.25 per cu. yd. earth excavation for pipe sewer and catch-basin drains; (AA) \$37.00, each catch-basins; (ZZ) \$7.00 each, drop inlets.
Sewer and connections, Geneva ave. and Park st., Ward 20.....	J. P. O'Connell.....	July 21, 1896.....	(D) \$0.35 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.40 per lin. ft. laying 15-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.35 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (K) \$30.00 each, man-holes; (L) \$0.50 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (AA) \$40.00 each, catch-basins; (BB) \$0.35 per lin. ft. 6-in. pipe house drain.
Sewer and connections, Fenelon st., Ward 20.....	T. H. Connolly.....	July 21, 1896.....	(D) \$0.50 per lin. ft. 12-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.45 per lin. ft. 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.45 per lin. ft.

Sewer and connections, Morse st., Washington st. to Bowdoin ave.....	T. H. Connolly.....	July 21, 1896.....	6-in. pipe house drain; (A.A) \$38.00 each, catch-basins; (B.B) \$8.00 each, pipe chimney. (D) \$0.45 per lin. ft., 10-in. pipe, catch basin drain; (E) \$0.45 per lin. ft., 6-in. pipe, house drain; (A.A) \$40.00 each, catch-basins.
Sewer and connections, Forest ave., trunk sewer, Sect. 1.....	T. H. Connolly.....	July 29, 1896.....	(D) \$0.75 per lin. ft., laying 18-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.75 per lin. ft., laying 13 in. pipe sewer; (K) \$34.90 each, manholes; (L) \$0.40 per cu. yd., loose rock excavation; (M) \$2.90 per cu. yd., solid rock excavation; (B.B) \$8.00 each, 8-in. pipe chimneys.
Sewer and connections, Blue Hill ave., part of Sect. 4.....	T. J. Young & Co.....	July 30, 1896.....	(D) \$0.85 per lin. ft., 12-in. pipe sewer; (K) \$35.00 each, manholes; (V) \$0.16 per lin. ft., 6 in. under-drain.
Stony Brook conduit, Columbus ave., Sect. 6.....	J. P. O'Connell.....	Aug. 3, 1896.....	Items (1) \$1.00 per cu. yd. for earth excavation for conduit; (3) \$3.00 per cu. yd. for rock excavation; (4) \$3.80 per cu. yd. for concrete; (5) \$3.00 per cu. yd. for rubble stone masonry; (6) \$3.80 per cu. yd. for brick masonry, American cement mortar; (7) \$3.80 per cu. yd. for brick masonry, Portland cement mortar; (8) \$0.20 per lin. ft. for 10-in. pipe under-drain; (9) \$13.00 M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber for sheeting and shoring, left in place; (10) \$30.00 M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber for purposes other than sheeting and shoring and left in place; (12) \$700.00 protecting the channel of Stony brook.
Sewer and connections, Wilder st., Washington st. to Geneva ave.....	Collins & Ham.....	Aug. 13, 1896.	(A) \$1.00 per lin. ft. earth excavation for culvert and catch-basin drain; (B) \$0.20 per lin. ft. laying 24-in. double-thick pipe culvert; (C) \$0.25 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (D) \$0.35 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (E) \$0.35 per lin. ft. laying 6-in. pipe house-drain; (O) \$5.30 per cu. yd. concrete; (A.A) \$37.00 each, catch-basins; (Z.Z) \$15.00 each, drop-inlets.
Sewer and connections, Clinton st., Ward 6.....	D. E. Lynch.....	Aug. 14, 1896.....	(D) \$1.00 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.50 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.46 per lin. ft. laying 6-in. pipe house-drain; (K) \$35.00 each, manholes; (O) \$4.50 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (H) \$28.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (A.A) \$43.00 each, catch-basins.

Sewer Construction under Chap. 323 of the Acts of 1891, etc. — *Continued.*

CONTRACT.	Awarded to.	Dated.	Prices.
Sewer and connections, Chamberlain st.	J. H. O'Donnell.	Aug. 18, 1896.	(D) \$0.44 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.43 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.36 per lin. ft. laying 6-in. pipe house-drain; (K) \$35.00 each, manholes; (A A) \$33.00 each, catch-basins.
Sewer and connections, Wolcott st., Ward 20.	J. P. O'Connell.	Aug. 21, 1896.	(A) \$0.70 per lin. ft. laying 30-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (B) \$0.40 per lin. ft. laying 24-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (C) \$0.30 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (D) \$0.30 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (E) \$0.40 per lin. ft. laying 6-in. pipe house-drain; (K) \$22.00 each, manholes; (L) \$3.00 per cu. yd. rock; (A A) \$35.00 each, catch-basins; (Z Z) \$12.00 each, drop inlets.
Sewer and connections, Gaylord st., Ward 20.	J. Dolan.	Sept. 4, 1896.	(D) \$0.58 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.25 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.30 per lin. ft. laying 6-in. pipe house-drain; (K) \$33.00 each, manholes; (A A) \$40.00 each, catch-basins.
Catch-basin drain and connections, Boylston st., Ward 22.	J. H. O'Donnell.	Sept. 8, 1896.	(A) \$0.40 per lin. ft. laying 24-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (B) \$0.40 per lin. ft. laying 18-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (C) \$0.38 per lin. ft. laying 15-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (D) \$0.35 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (E) \$0.30 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (K) \$2.75 per cu. yd. concrete; (H) \$20.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (L) \$11.00 each, drop inlets; (A I) \$42.00 each, catch-basins; (O) \$0.50 per lin. ft., 36-in. pipe sewer.
Stony brook conduit, in Columbus ave., Sect. 5.	H. P. Nawn.	Oct. 7, 1896.	Items (1) \$1.00 per cu. yd. earth excavation for conduit; (3) \$2.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (4) \$4.00 per cu. yd. concrete in place; (5) \$6.00 per cu. yd. rubble stone masonry; (6) \$4.50 per cu. yd. brick masonry, American cement mortar; (7) \$7.00 per cu. yd. brick masonry, Portland cement mortar; (8) \$0.50 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe under-drain; (9) \$12.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber for sheeting and

Sewer and connections, Ruggles st., Parker st. to Back Bay Fens.....	D. E. Lynch.....	Oct. 14, 1896.....	shoring left in place; (10) \$100.00 protecting the channel of Stony brook; (11) \$35.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber for purposes other than sheeting and shoring. (A) \$1.13 per lin. ft. earth excavation for brick sewer; (Q) \$4.00 per cu. yd. brick masonry American cement mortar; (D) \$5.00 per cu. yd. brick masonry Portland cement mortar; (E) \$4.00 per cu. yd. concrete; (F) \$28.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (K) \$0.20 per lin. ft. spruce piles driven.
Sewer and connections, Vancouver st., Ruggles st. to Huntington ave.....	D. E. Lynch.....	Oct. 14, 1896.....	(A) \$0.98 per lin. ft. earth excavation for brick sewer; (J) \$4.00 per cu. yd. brick masonry American cement mortar; (D) \$5.00 per cu. yd. brick masonry Portland cement mortar; (E) \$4.00 per cu. yd. concrete; (F) \$28.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (K) \$0.20 per lin. ft. spruce piles driven.
Sewer and connections, Columbus ave., Sect. 8....	T. O'Leary.....	Oct. 29, 1896.....	(A) \$1.08 per lin. ft. earth excavation for 3 ft. 6 in. \times 4 ft. 10 in. brick sewer; (B) \$0.75 per lin. ft. earth excavation for 2 ft. 4 in. \times 3 ft. 6 in. brick sewer; (C) \$0.51 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (D) \$0.51 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (E) \$0.51 per lin. ft. laying 8-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.51 per lin. ft. laying 6-in. pipe house drain; (G) \$25.00 each, manholes; (H) \$2.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (I) \$4.35 per cu. yd. brick masonry American cement mortar; (J) \$4.50 per cu. yd. brick masonry Portland cement mortar; (K) \$3.00 per cu. yd. rubble-stone masonry; (T) \$25.00 each, catch-basins.
Stony brook conduit, in Centre st. and private land, Roxbury.....	C. Linehan.....	Nov. 16, 1896.....	Items (1) \$0.80 per lin. ft. earth excavation for conduit; (3) \$1.88 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (4) \$3.00 per cu. yd. concrete; (5) \$3.00 per cu. yd. rubble stone masonry; (6) \$3.70 per cu. yd. brick masonry; American cement mortar; (7) \$3.70 per cu. yd. brick masonry; Portland cement mortar; (8) \$0.50 per lin. ft. 10-in. pipe under-drain; (9) \$22.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber for sheeting and shoring left in place; (10) \$22.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber for purpose; other than sheeting and shoring, left in place.

Sewer Construction under Chap. 323 of the Acts of 1891, etc. — *Concluded.*

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Sewer and connections. Blue Hill ave., Section 4 and part of Section 3.....*	D. M. Dwyer.....	Nov. 5, 1896.....	(D) \$0.45 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (E) \$0.28 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe catch-basin drain; (F) \$0.45 per lin. ft. laying 8-in. pipe sewer; (K) \$35.00 each, manholes; (L) \$2.50 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (AA) \$34.00 each, catch-basins.
Commonwealth-avenue outlet sewer, in private land, Brighton.....	E. McHale & Co.	Dec. 28, 1896.....	Items (1) \$0.40 per lin. ft. earth excavation for brick sewer; (3) \$2.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (4) \$4.00 per cu. yd. concrete; (5) \$4.20 per cu. yd. brick masonry, American cement mortar; (6) \$5.00 per cu. yd. brick masonry, Portland cement mortar; (7) \$0.45 per lin. ft. 6-in. pipe under-drain; (8) \$0.50 per lin. ft. 18-in. pipe sewer; (9) \$0.50 per lin. ft. 12-in. pipe sewer; (10) \$0.35 per lin. ft. 15-in. pipe surface drain; (11) \$0.35 per lin. ft. 12-in. pipe surface drain; (12) \$30.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber for sheeting and shoring left in place; (13) \$30.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber for purposes other than sheeting and shoring, left in place.
Sewer and connections in Fullerton st., Ward 22..	T. H. Connolly.....	Dec. 28, 1896.....	(A) \$0.55 per lin. ft. laying 18-in. pipe-sewer; (B) \$0.55 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe-sewer; (C, D) \$0.35 per lin. ft. laying 10 and 12 in. pipe catch-basin drain; (E) \$0.38 per lin. ft. laying 6-in. pipe house-drain; (F) \$35.00 each, manholes; (G) \$40.00 each, catch-basins; (H) \$3.00 per cu. yd. concrete; (I) \$0.14 per lin. ft. spruce piles driven; (J) \$21.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place.
Sewer in Columbus ave. over Stony brook conduit, between New Heath and Heath sts.....	J. P. O'Connell.....	Dec. 29, 1896.....	\$0.70 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe-sewer; \$18.00 each, manholes.

Sewer Construction under the General Law, Chap. 402 of the Acts of 1892.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Sewer and connections, Holton st., Ward 25.....	T. J. Young & Co.....	June 22, 1896.....	(D) \$1.20 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe-sewer; (K) \$40.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (R) \$30.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (V) \$0.30 per lin. ft. 6-in. pipe under-drain.
Sewer and connections, Everett st., Ward 25.....	T. J. Young & Co.....	July 1, 1896.....	(D) \$1.35 per lin. ft. laying 10-in. pipe-sewer; (K) \$55.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (R) \$30.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (V) \$0.30 per lin. ft. 6-in. pipe under-drain.
Sewer and connections, Hobart st., Ward 25.....	T. J. Young & Co.....	July 17, 1896.....	(D) \$1.20 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe-sewer; (K) \$40.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (R) \$30.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (V) \$0.30 per lin. ft. 6-in. under-drain.
Sewer and connections, Hobart st., from Fan-euil st. to existing sewer.....	T. J. Young & Co.....	Aug. 20, 1896.....	(D) \$1.30 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe-sewer; (E) \$1.50 per lin. ft. laying 15-in. pipe-sewer; (K) \$45.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (R) \$30.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (V) \$0.30 per lin. ft. 6-in. pipe under-drain.
Sewer and connections, North Harvard st., Coo-lidge to Cambridge st.....	T. J. Young & Co.....	Oct. 8, 1896.....	(D) \$1.55 per lin. ft. laying 15 in. pipe sewer; (E) \$1.40 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (K) \$45.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (R) \$30.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (V) \$0.30 per lin. ft. 6-in. pipe under-drain.
Sewer and connections, Liverpool st., Decatur st. to Central sq.....	J. H. Eltridge	Oct. 13, 1896.....	(D) \$0.82 per lin. ft. laying 18-in. pipe sewer; (K) \$32.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (R) \$0.10 per lin. ft. spruce lumber platform; (V) \$0.16 per lin. ft. 6-in. under-drain; (W) \$0.30 per sq. yd. paving over sewer trench.
Sewer and Connections, Rockland st., Mt. Vernon st. to Mt. Vernon ave.....	T. J. Young & Co.....	Nov. 7, 1896.....	(D) \$0.85 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (K) \$43.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (R) \$30.00 per M. Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (V) \$0.30 per lin. ft. 6-in. pipe under-drains.

Sewer Construction under the General Law. — *Concluded.*

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Sewer and connections, Meridian st., Condor st. to Chelsea bridge.....	P. Anderson	Nov. 23, 1896.....	(D) \$1.15 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (K) \$25.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (M) \$0.30 per sq. yd. paving over sewer trench; (R) \$30.00 per M Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (V) \$0.16 per lin. ft. 6-in. pipe under-drain.
Sewer and connections, Mt. Vernon ave., from Rockland st., westerly.....	T. J. Young & Co.	Dec. 5, 1896	(D) \$0.85 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (K) \$40.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (R) \$30.00 per M Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (V) \$0.16 per lin. ft. 6 in. pipe under-drain.
Sewer and connections, Rockland st., from Mt. Vernon ave. to Jackson ave.....	T. J. Young & Co.	Jan. 20, 1897.....	(D) \$1.05 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (K) \$40.00 each, manholes; (L) \$5.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation; (R) \$30.00 per M Ft. B. M. spruce lumber left in place; (V) \$0.30 per lin. ft. 6-in. pipe under-drain.
Sewer and connections, South Russell st.....	S. Connelly	Aug. 27, 1896	(A) \$0.89 per lin. ft. laying 12-in. pipe sewer; (B) \$0.16 per lin. ft. laying 6-in. pipe under-drain; (C) \$32.00 each, manholes; (D) \$7.00 per cu. yd. rock excavation.

Ferry Drops, Tanks, etc.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Three ferry drops.....	W. McKie.....	Sept. 16, 1896.....	\$14,718 00
Repairing middle pier, South Ferry, Boston side..	W. H. Ellis & Co.....	Oct. 8, 1896.....	\$1,310 00
Two ferry tanks.....	J. M. Brooks.....	Oct. 7, 1896.....	\$3,500 00
Awning, North Ferry, East Boston side.....	W. H. Ellis & Co.....	June 5, 1896.....	\$698 94

Pile-driving.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
B and Seventh sts. sewer, South Boston.	W. S. Rendle.....	Sept. 30, 1896.	\$1.75 per spruce pile. \$10.00 per oak pile.

Furnishing Filling.

CONTRACT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Turner st., from Haviland to Astor st.	Metropolitan Construction Company.....	April 4, 1896.	\$0.50 per cubic yard.
Huntington ave., from Parker st., northerly	Metropolitan Construction Company.....	April 23, 1896.	\$0.65 per cubic yard.
Vancouver st., from Ruggles st. to Huntington ave.....	Metropolitan Construction Company.....	May 20, 1896.	\$0.65 per cubic yard.
Columbus ave., from Northampton st. to Roxbury Crossing	N. McBride.....	June 4, 1896.	\$0.99 per cubic yard gravel.
Ruggles st., from Parker st. to the Back Bay Fens, Norway st., from Massachusetts ave. to Parker st.,	Metropolitan Construction Company.....	June 12, 1896.	\$0.65 per cubic yard.
Bennington and Walley sts.....	Metropolitan Construction Company.....	July 13, 1896.	\$0.50 per cubic yard.
Peterborough st., from Audubon road to Fairhaven st.....	J. H. Carter.....	Sept. 7, 1896.	\$0.45 per load of 20 cubic feet.
	Boston & Albany R.R. Co. ...	Oct. 20, 1896.	\$0.51 per cubic yard.

Miscellaneous Agreements.

AGREEMENT.	Awarded to	Dated	Price.
Edgestones for year 1896.....	Institutions Department.....	March 3, 1896.....	\$0.62 per lin. ft. on wharves.
Watering driveways in Marine Park and Dorchesterway.....	Street Department, Street Watering Division.....	April 11, 1896.....	Park Department agreed to pay \$500.00 for watering these driveway s.
Bulkhead, Columbus ave.....	Trumbull & Ryan.....	April 22, 1896.....	\$727.00.
Capstone for sea-wall, Granby st.....	Trumbull & Ryan.....	May 18, 1896.....	\$5.00 per lin. ft.
Taking down and removing stone arch at Chestnut-Hill Reservoir driveway.....	W. L. Miller.....	June 16, 1896.....	\$874.00.
Building wall on Water Works land and Commonwealth-ave. extension.....	J. A. Whittimore's Sons.....	July 6, 1896.....	\$1.00 per cu. yd. ledge; \$0.40 per cu. yd. earth; \$2.50 per cu. yd. building wall.
Changing the fence lines, etc., at the Marth School, Huntington ave.....	Donovan & Brook.....	July 14, 1896.....	\$1,800.00.
Furnishing and laying coal-tar concrete sidewalks on Brighton ave.....	Simpson Bros.....	July 25, 1896.....	\$110.00.
Clock in head-house, Boston side, North Ferry....	Geo. M. Stevens.....	Aug. 8, 1896.....	\$137.50.
Iron castings, pipes, hand-rails, drain-inlets, etc., St. Martin st., Charlestown.....	George T. McLaughlin & Co.....	Aug. 20, 1896.....	\$310.00.
Building artificial stone steps, platforms, walls, etc., St. Martin st., Charlestown.....	Simpson Bros.....	Aug. 25, 1896.....	\$2,803.00.
Tearing down wooden building, Columbus ave., corner Weston st.....	A. A. Elston & Co.....	Sept. 4, 1896.....	\$180.00.
Tearing down wooden building, Pynchon st.....	A. A. Elston & Co.....	Sept. 10, 1896.....	\$150.00.

Furnishing, erecting and fitting, ready for use, pumping machines, Chapman and Lyons sts. Dorchester.....	J. H. Houghton.....	Sept. 25, 1896.....	\$2,821.00.
Electric railway motor, North Ferry, East Boston side	Chas. I. Albee.....	Oct. 10, 1896.....	\$838.00.
Gully-cleaner, Decarie Patent.....	Henry W. Atwater.....	Nov. 20, 1896.....	\$2,000.00.
Repairing old ferry-tank.....	W. McKie.....	Dec. 13, 1896.....	\$675.00.
Electric railway motor, North Ferry, Boston side.	Chas. I. Albee.....	Jan. 21, 1897.....	\$1,000.00.

**Full List of Streets now Paved with Trinidad Asphalt.
City Proper.**

Name.	Limits.	Length.	Area.	Year Laid.
Albany st.	East Concord st. to East Springfield st..	450	2,700	1884
Arch st.	Franklin st. to Milk st.....	426	1,267	1883-93
Ash st.	Bennet st. to Nassau st.	230	409	1887
Barton court.....	Brighton st. to Barton st.	134	186	1894
Batterymarch st..	Milk st. to Kilby st.	260	857	1881-96
Beacon st.	Charles st., across Arlington st	870	3,800	1891
Beacon st.	Dartmouth st. to within 150 ft. east of Gloucester st.	1,744	9,277	1892
Beacon st.	68 ft. west of Gloucester st. to Massachu- setts ave.	1,019	5,391	1893
Bennet st.	90 ft. west of Harrison ave. to 162 ft. east of Washington st.	180	300	1887
Bond st.	Hanson st. to Milford st.	192	426	1895
Brattle sq.	Brattle st. to Elm st.	281	670	1888
Brighton st.	Leverett st. to Allen st.	845	1,737	1892
Birmmer st.	Beacon st. to Pinckney st.....	1,087	3,300	1895
Central st.	Broad st. to Kilby st.	313	869	1887
Chambers st.	Green st., across Poplar st.....	460	1,061	1894
Chambers st.	Brighton st. to Charles st.	272	604	1895
Charter st.	Hanover st. to Unity st.	318	636	1894
Cherry st.	Washington st. to Shawmut ave.	334	594	1892
Clark st.	Hanover st. towards North st.	120	227	1892
Columbus ave. ...	Boston & Albany Railroad bridge, } across Massachusetts ave. }	3,505	15,578	1884-87 1888-91
Columbus ave.	Massachusetts ave. to 301 ft. south of Camden st.	903	5,418	1896
Corning st.	Washington st. to Shawmut ave.	338	734	1896
Congress sq.	State st. to Congress square	110	160	1883
Cooper st.	North Margin st. to Endicott st.	166	516	1887
Cooperst.	Endicott st. to Charlestown st.	200	600	1887
Court st.	Washington st. to Court square	231	642	1891
Court sq.	Court st. to Court st.	665	1,883	1881-94
Davis st.	Washingtonst. to Harri: on ave.	323	646	1892
Dartmouth st.	Boylston st. to Newbury st.	266	2,058	1894
Doane st.	Kilby st. to Broad st.	312	624	1881
Edinboro' st.	Essex st. to Beach st.	470	924	1895
Endicottst.	Cooper st., across Thacher st.....	312	1,005	1884
<i>Carried forward</i>		17,336	65,099	

Streets Paved with Trinidad Asphalt. — Concluded.
City Proper.

Name.	Limits.	Length.	Area.	Year Laid.
<i>Brought forw'd.</i>		17,336	65,099	*
Exchange pl.	Congress st. to Kilby st.	244	678	1887
Groton st.	Washington st. to Shawmut ave.	335	558	1892
Hanover ave.	Hanover st. to North st.	307	266	1892
Harrison ave.	East Newton st. to East Springfield st.	928	2,681	1888-95
Harrison ave.	East Springfield st. to Roxbury line. ....	.....	130	1888-95
Hollis st.	Tremont st. towards Washington st.	276	521	1891
Hudson st.	Beach st. to within 90 ft. north of Curve (minus Kneeland and Harvard sts.)	1,407	3,938	1891
Kilby st.	State st. to Milk st.	648	2,628	1881
Laconia st.	Washington st. to Harrison ave.	330	727	1896
Malcolm st.	Mt. Vernon st. to Chestnut st.	261	290	1892
Massachusetts av.,	Columbus ave. to Tremont st. (southerly roadway)	267	1,621	1892
Massachusetts av.,	Tremont st. to Shawmut ave. (southerly roadway)	470	2,934	1892
Massachusetts av.,	Shawmut ave. to Washington st. (south- erly roadway)	180	994	1892
Moon st.	Between North sq. and Fleet st.	182	384	1891
North Bennet st.	Hanover st. to Salem st.	552	920	1883
North Margin st.,	Thacher st. to Wiget st.	515	1,154	1895
Oxford st.	Beach st. to Essex st.	430	735	1895
Parmenter st.	Hanover st. to Salem st.	279	764	1893
Pinckney st.	Charles st., across Brimmer st.	271	723	1895
Pine st.	Washington st. to Harrison ave.	419	597	1896
Poplar st.	Charubers st. to Charles st.	1,188	2,442	1887-92
Spring st.	Pop'ar st. to Leverett st.	447	908	1895
Stillman st.	Between Salem st. and Endicott st.	150	417	1892
Stoddard st.	Howard st. to Court st.	135	150	1892
Sun-court st.	North st. to Moon st.	151	218	1891
Thacher st.	Charlestown st. to Endicott st.	203	562	1892
Tileston st.	155 ft. west from Hanover st. to Salem st.,	417	470	1887-95
Warrenton st.	Eliot st. to Tremont st.	670	1,587	1891
Warrenton st.	Shawmut ave. to Washington st.	468	910	1891
Water st.	Congress st., across Battery-march st.	325	975	1889
Water st.	Liberty sq. to Broad st.	252	682	1896
Wiggin st.	North Bennet st. to Tileston st.	107	119	1887
		30,150	97,782	

Streets Paved with Trinidad Asphalt. — *Concluded.***Charlestown.**

Name.	Limits.	Length.	Area.	Year Laid.
Austin st.	Seminary pl. to Lawrence st.	144	421	1891

South Boston.

D st.	W. Fifth st. to Gold st.	126	448	1889
Rogers st.	Dorchester st. to Preble st.	360	480	1891
W. Sixth st.	West of C st. toward D st.	91	343	1887
E st.	W. Third st. to Bolton st.	111	419	1892
W. Third st.	153 feet west of E st., across E st.	185	769	1892
		873	2,459	

Roxbury.

Cabot st.	Tremont st. to Vernon st.	1,955	6,559	1891-92
Columbus ave. ...	From 301 feet S. of Camden st., across Terry st.	2,640	15,840	1896
		4,595	22,399	

Streets Paved with Sicilian Rock Asphalt.**City Proper.**

Name.	Limits.	Length.	Area.	Year Laid.
Acton st.	Washington st. to Bradford st.	259	352	1896
Ash st.	Oak st., across Nassau st.	220	391	1895
Barton st.	Leverett st. to Milton st.	427	723	1895
Charles st.	Between Revere st. and Cambridge st. (in front of Eye and Ear Infirmary)	191	225	1895
Decatur st.	Washington st. to Harrison ave.	370	781	1892
Dwight st.	Shawmut ave. to Tremont st.	716	2,075	1893
Fabin st.	Newland st. to Ivanhoe st.	421	615	1895
Fay st.	Dover st. to Harrison ave.	318	560	1894
Hamburg st. ...	Mystic st. to Harrison ave.	383	597	1896
Hanover st.	Tileston st., across Charter st.	315	934	1896
Huntington ave...	Boston & Albany Railroad bridge to Cumberland st.	1,591	8,840	1896
<i>Carried forw'd.</i>	.....	5,211	16,093	

Streets Paved with Sicilian Rock Asphalt. — Concluded.
City Proper.

Name.	Limits.	Length.	Area.	Year Laid.
<i>Brought forw'd,</i>		5,211	16,093	
Mason st.	From a point 213 feet south of West st., for a distance of 231 feet southerly	231	480	1894
Massachusetts ave.	Washington st. to Albany st. (southerly roadway)	662	4,151	1894
Meander st.	E. Dedham st. to Malden st.	307	437	1896
Motte st.	Washington st. to Harrison ave.	332	516	1892
Mystic st.	Malden st. to E. Dedham st.	204	226	1896
Mystic st.	E. Dedham st. to E. Canton st.	215	335	1896
Mystic st.	E. Canton st. to E. Brookline st.	216	337	1896
Norwich st.	Mystic st. to Meander st.	221	339	1896
Ohio st.	Washington st. to Shawmut ave.	343	277	1896
Pemberton sq.	In front of Suffolk County Court-house ..	323	1,365	1894
Prince st.	Hanover st. to Bennet ave.	293	654	1895
Taylor st.	Dwight st. to Milford st.	196	274	1896
Whitmore st.	Kneeland st. to Harvard st.	249	445	1895
		9,003	25,929	

South Boston.

Athens st.	B st. to C st.	515	746	1892
Athens st.	W. Second st. to A st.	617	916	1895
K st.	E. Sixth st. to E. Eighth st.	566	1,083	1896
W. Broadway	From 206 ft. east of easterly line of Dor- chester ave. to A st.	350	1,944	1892
W. Broadway	Gardiner place to 150 feet easterly	150	648	1893
		2,198	5,337	

Charlestown.

Warren st.	Winthrop st. to Soley st.	127	365	1895
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Roxbury.

Columbus ave.	Terry st. to within 61 feet north of Sta- tion st.	884	5,304	1896
Huntington ave.	Easterly side of Cumberland st. to Mas- sachusetts ave.	747	4,150	1896
Huntington ave.	Massachusetts ave. to Gainsborough st.	587	3,372	1896
		2,218	12,826	

Other Asphalt Streets.

Name.	Limits.	Length.	Area.	Year Laid.
Harris street, city proper.....	Hanover st. to North st., coal tar (Ayer),	294	425	
1 st. South Boston,	E. Broadway to E. Fourth st., coal tar (Ayer).....	272	1,027	
		566	1,452	

Summary.

Trinidad Asphalt....	Length, 35,762 ft. or 6.77 miles, or 123,061 sq. yds.			
Sicilian Rock Asphalt, "	13,546 " " 2.57 " " 44,457 " "			
Coal Tar Asphalt.....	566 " " 0.10 " " 1,452 " "			
Asphalt Blocks.....	4,009 " " 0.76 " " 13,827 " "			
Total.....	53,883 " " 10.20 " " 182,797 " "			

Street Mileage.

The following table shows the length of public highways and the character of pavements, Feb. 1, 1897:—

DISTRICTS.	Sheet Asphalt.	Asphalt Blocks.	Block.	Brick.	Cobble.	Telford and Macadam.	Gravel.	Not graded.	Total.
In previous report...	8.06	0.85	79.79	0.42	2.43	228.29	125.57	11.55	456.11
Feb. 1, 1897.									
City proper	7.47	0.76	*42.72	0.41	1.64	27.29	0.13	.....	80.42
Charlestown,	0.05	.....	8.90	.....	.....	13.85	.....	0.04	22.84
East Boston.....	.....	.....	4.42	.....	0.14	6.13	16.43	.....	27.12
South Boston.....	0.63	.....	12.88	.....	*0.05	21.80	1.40	3.74	40.50
Roxbury	1.29	.....	8.24	.....	0.01	59.95	10.98	2.66	83.13
W. Roxbury.....	.....	.....	0.09	.....	.....	40.29	34.94	1.44	76.79
Dorchester.....	.....	.....	3.47	.....	.....	54.71	30.22	1.14	89.54
Brighton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	18.56	19.07	1.15	38.78
Total.....	9.44	0.76	80.72	0.41	1.84	242.58	113.20	10.17	459.12

NOTE.—The above districts refer to areas enclosed by the original boundary lines.

* Of this amount, 3.98 miles = granite-block paving on concrete base.

Total length of public streets, 459.12 miles.

There have been laid out and accepted by the Street Commissioners during the year, 2,893 linear miles; 2.294 square

feet have been discontinued; corrections to previous measurements on account of revision and correction of previous tables from all causes, show an increase of 0.117 miles; making a total net increase of 3.01 miles. Street widenings and relocations have been ordered to the extent of 38,477 square feet.

Not included in the above table, there are about 142 miles of private ways and alleys which are not under the care of this department.

The rate of increase from year to year is shown in the following table:—

1859.....	111.50 miles.	1884.....	374.10 miles.
1871.....	201.32 "	1885.....	379.60 "
1872.....	207.4 "	1886.....	383.55 "
1873.....	209.24 "	1887.....	390.30 "
1874.....	313.90 "	1888.....	392.72 "
1875.....	318.58 "	1889.....	397.84 "
1876.....	327.50 "	1890.....	404.6 "
1877.....	333.2 "	1891.....	409.6 "
1878.....	340.39 "	1892.....	434.59 "
1879.....	345.19 "	1893.....	443.34 "
1880.....	350.54 "	1894.....	447.65 "
1881.....	355.5 "	1895.....	452.12 "
1882.....	359.85 "	1896.....	456.11 "
1883.....	367.99 "	1897.....	459.12 "

Areas of Pavements.

The following table shows the area of pavements in square yards, arranged by districts:—

DISTRICTS.	Asphalt.	Block.	Brick.	Cobble.	Telford and Macadam.	Gravel.	Not graded.	Totals.
Feb. 1, 1896.....	132,702	1,718,050	5,166	28,504	4,182,438	2,062,394	316,517	8,445,871
Feb. 1, 1897.								
City Proper.....	*137,963	†913,748	5,082	15,846	510,517	1,508	.....	1,584,664
Charlestown...	786	198,938	.....	.....	206,888	.....	1,073	407,685
East Boston.....	.....	101,144	.....	2,867	128,680	302,635	.....	535,326
South Boston..	8,823	271,602	.....	1,192	379,216	27,976	77,857	766,666
Roxbury.....	35,225	178,484	.....	408	1,086,653	173,255	64,619	1,538,644
West Roxbury.....	.....	2,067	.....	.....	688,795	533,187	21,347	1,245,396
Dorchester.....	.....	74,594	.....	.....	962,365	501,328	59,760	1,598,047
Brighton.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	492,664	305,388	24,337	822,389
Total.....	182,797	1,740,577	5,082	20,313	4,455,778	1,845,277	245,993	8,498,817

* Of this amount, 13,827 sq. yds. = asphalt blocks.

† Of this amount, 77,728 sq. yds. = granite-block paving on concrete base.

Total area of public streets, 8,498,817 square yards.

INCOME.

Statement showing the amount of bills and cash deposited with City Collector, less bills withdrawn, for the year ending Jan. 31, 1897, by the several divisions of the Street Department :

Bridge Division	\$4,998 65
Boston and Cambridge Bridges	712 01
Ferry Division	166,971 74
Paving Division	38,616 32
Sanitary Division	35,881 77
Sewer Division	222,318 24
Street-Cleaning Division	5,864 08
Street-Watering	4,438 14
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	\$479,800 95
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Statement showing the amount paid into the city treasury during the same period on account of the several divisions of the Street Department :

Bridge Division	\$2,702 32
Boston and Cambridge Bridges	712 01
Ferry Division	167,056 74
Paving Division	76,652 34
Sanitary Division	27,735 68
Sewer Division	130,294 32
Street-Cleaning Division	1,996 45
Street-Watering	687 65
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	\$407,837 51
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APPENDIX A.

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF
THE BRIDGE DIVISION.

927 AND 928 TREMONT BUILDING,
BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1897.

BENJ. W. WELLS, ESQ., *Superintendent of Streets*:

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit my annual report of the expenditures, income and operation of the Bridge Division of the Street Department for the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1897.

Respectfully yours,

WM. H. CARBERRY,

Deputy Superintendent.

There was appropriated for the maintenance of this division during the year the sum of \$120,000. The total number of bridges in Boston is 132. This number does not include culverts.

Four of these bridges, viz., Harvard, Prison Point, Canal and West Boston, all connecting with Cambridge, are in the care of two commissioners, one of whom is appointed by the city of Boston and the other by the city of Cambridge.

Thirty-three are wholly supported by railroad corporations, and 99 are supported wholly or in part by the city of Boston.

There are 23 tide-water bridges provided with draws.

Six of these bridges are in the north district — three operated by steam, two by electricity and one by hand-power.

The division has this year constructed and put in operation an electric motor on Meridian-street bridge, at a cost of \$1,535. This new device for operating the bridge is a decided improvement over horse-power, which was formerly used.

It also gives better facilities for public travel.

On the south side there are six bridges. Three of these are operated by steam, two by electricity and one by hand-power.

The most important of these are the Malden and Mount Washington-avenue bridges, which are now operated by hand-power, and which should during the coming year be supplied with electric or steam-power.

Congress street, Broadway span over the railroad, Mount

Washington-avenue, Charles-river and Malden bridges require constant care, as they are old and patched. They should be rebuilt.

The draw on Broadway bridge has been reconstructed and adjusted so it can be reversed, for the first time in five years.

The smoke fenders which were attached to Dartmouth-street bridge, over the B. & A. R.R., and also on Broadway, over the N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R., were placed there in December, 1895.

After a few months' trial this division was requested by the above railroad corporations to remove the same, as they proved to be dangerous to the men operating the trains.

The fenders were removed in compliance with their request.

The temporary foot-bridge erected in 1895, over the N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. at Roxbury Crossing, was removed in July, 1896, on account of the elevation of the tracks, in abolishing the grade crossings; also the one at Centre street, called Hog bridge, cared for by the same railroad.

The lumber used in this structure was removed to Foundry-street yard.

The headquarters for District No. 2, located at Foundry street, South Boston, is not a suitable place for office or storehouse, as it is altogether too small.

The following-named bridges, being in a most dangerous condition, were closed to public travel while extensive repairs were being carried on under the supervision of the City Engineer and this division:—

Meridian street, from May 28'to July 3.

Essex street, from Oct. 2 to Dec. 26.

Albany street, from Sept. 11 to Oct. 10.

Broadway, from Dec. 9 to Jan. 4.

An inspection of all inland bridges has been carefully made, and all necessary repairs have been promptly done to insure their safe condition.

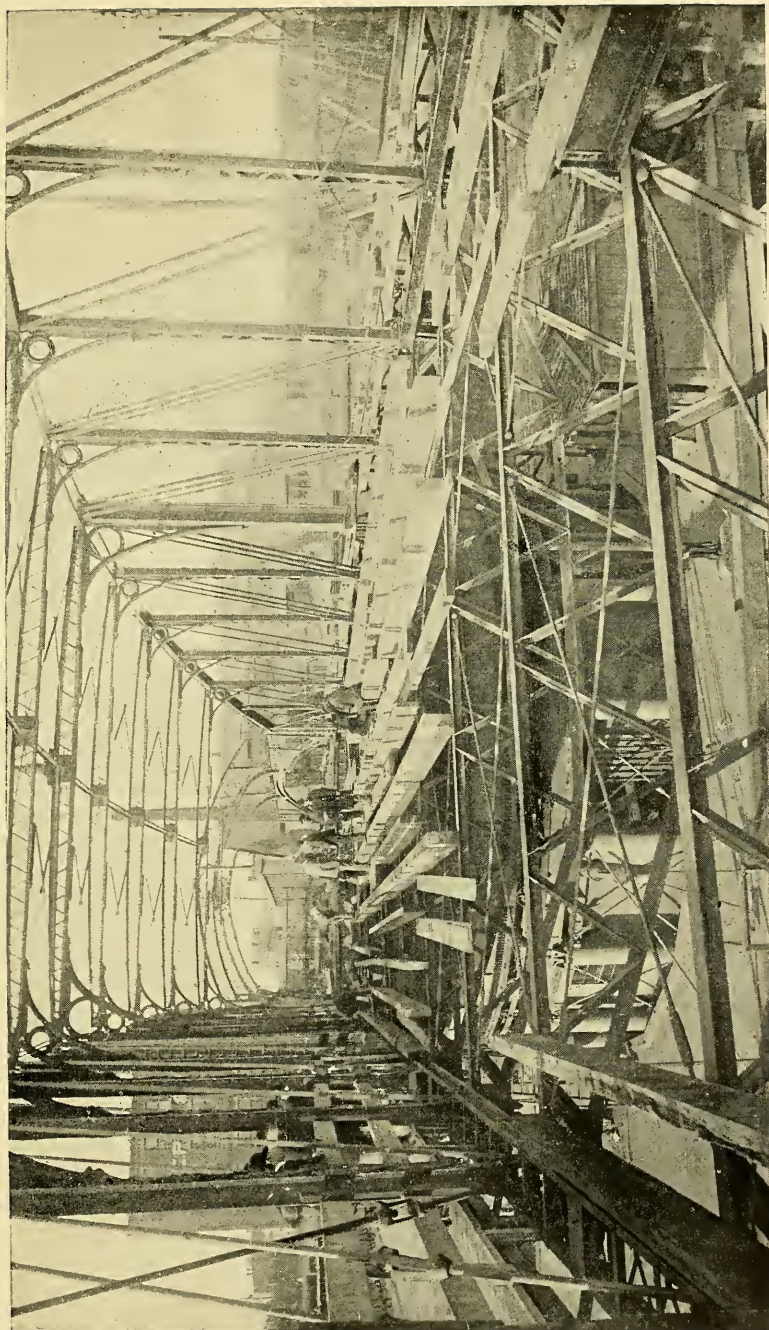
Several of these bridges have been painted and all have been thoroughly swept at regular intervals and kept clean.

Better discipline has been maintained among the drawtenders by transferring some of them and placing them at the kind of work for which they seemed best adapted.

They have faithfully and efficiently performed their various duties, as have their assistants, and no accidents have been reported which could be attributed to any neglect, or inattention on the part of the employees.

All material bought and used in construction and repairs has been promptly delivered by the contractors.

A considerable saving in the item of lumber alone was made by the policy adopted of supplying the exact measurements and lengths required. Duplicate sets of gearing, truck wheels, cables, sprocket wheels, pinions, shafting and new patterns have been furnished the various bridges during the year.



BROADWAY BRIDGE.

The road-bed and one sidewalk of the Cottage Farm bridge over the B. & A. R.R. have been completed and reopened to public travel.

A new public landing at Jeffries Point, East Boston, has been constructed at an expense of \$700.

Inclosed in this report will be found a financial statement and a detailed description of the work performed on each bridge, also a tabulation of all bridges supported wholly or in part by the City of Boston, giving the widths of bridges, draw openings, roadways and sidewalks, the number of draw openings made for navigation, and a census of traffic taken on the most important bridges.

OBJECT OF EXPENDITURES.

ADMINISTRATION.

Office expenses:

Printing	\$188 62	
Stationery and postage	89 63	
Office books	35 50	
Engraving plates, etc., annual report	55 38	
Telephone	166 33	
Subscription (newspapers)	10 50	
Directory	5 50	
Atlas (West Roxbury)	36 50	
Messenger service	1 40	
Capillary bath	6 00	
Typewriter paper	19 75	
Repairing typewriter	10 50	
Index	2 50	
Repairing office stamp	7 00	
Repairing clocks	11 00	
Incandescent lamps	1 87	
Portable lamps	7 00	
Mats	15 50	
Fireboard	3 50	
Press-stand	12 00	
Repairing desk	5 50	
Baskets and cuspidores	3 16	
		\$694 64
Salary of Wm. H. Carberry, Deputy Superintendent, $10\frac{17}{30}$ months		2,641 67
Salary of John P. Wise, Deputy Superintendent, $11\frac{3}{30}$ months		358 33
Salaries of Chief Clerk, Messenger, $31\frac{6}{30}$ months, and Messenger, $81\frac{4}{30}$ months		2,800 00
Salaries of Chief of Draws and Bridges, $1\frac{27}{30}$ months, and Chief of Draws and Bridges for 41 weeks, and foreman for 39 weeks, $5\frac{1}{2}$ days		3,143 63
<i>Carried forward,</i>		\$9,638 27

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$9,638 27
Salary of Chief Draw-Tender, 48 weeks . . .	1,656 96
Salary of Clerk of Committee on Streets and Sewers, 9 weeks . . .	258 84
Salary of Civil Service Clerk ($\frac{1}{7}$ part) . . .	100 00
Travelling expenses . . .	44 50
Board of Deputy Superintendent's horse and extra horse . . .	413 99
Telephone, Deputy Superintendent's house . . .	52 56
Amount expended, administration . . .	<u>\$12,165 12</u>

OBJECT OF EXPENDITURES.

Office Expenses.

Salaries	\$10,959 43
General office expenditures . . .	1,205 69
	<u>\$12,165 12</u>

TOTAL REGULAR EXPENDITURES.

Administration	\$12,165 12
On tide-water bridges	85,804 55
On inland bridges	8,436 66
North yard and stable	4,276 29
South yard and stable	9,280 93
Total amount expended for the year, Feb. 1, 1896 to Jan. 31, 1897	<u>\$119,963 55</u>

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

REGULAR APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation, 1896-97	\$120,000 00
Received from Boston and Albany Railroad Company for work done on Albany-street bridge . . .	870 42
Total	<u>\$120,870 42</u>
Amount of expenditures from Feb. 1, 1896 to Jan. 31, 1897	\$119,963 55
Transferred to Street Cleaning Division, Jan. 29, 1897	906 87
Total	<u>\$120,870 42</u>

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS IN CHARGE OF BRIDGE DIVISION.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATION.	Appropriations, Balances and Transfers.	Expended from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.	Balances on hand Jan. 31, 1897.
Charles-river bridge draw, re-modelling, etc.....	\$2,924 16	\$2,517 12	\$407 04
Chelsea bridge, North, rebuilding draw, etc.....	13,261 64	8,231 10	5,030 54
Gold-street bridge	18,597 58	28 25	18,569 33
Meridian-street bridge, reconstructing draw.....	14,260 48	11,426 87	2,833 61
Reconstruction of Essex-street bridge	6,500 00	4,969 43	1,530 57
Totals	\$55,543 86	\$27,172 77	\$28,371 09

Amount of expenditures Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897	\$27,172 77
Balances unexpended	28,371 09
Amount of appropriations and transfers	<u>\$55,543 86</u>

AMOUNTS CHARGED TO SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS IN CHARGE OF OTHER DIVISIONS.

NAME OF APPROPRIATION.	Where expended.	Amount Expended.
Laying out and construction of highways.....	Railroad bridge over Geneva avenue.....	\$14,026 58
Saratoga street, filling solid old bridge	Winthrop bridge.....	2,022 20
Blue Hill and other avenues.....	Huntington avenue Bridge and Chestnut Hill Reservoir archway	10,466 68
Commonwealth avenue, construction,	Cottage Farm bridge.	27,440 85
Street Improvements, Wards 1 and 2,	Public Landing, Jeffries Point.....	417 66
Carried forward .....	.....	\$54,373 97

AMOUNTS CHARGED TO SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS IN CHARGE OF
OTHER DIVISIONS.— *Concluded.*

NAME OF APPROPRIATION.	Where expended.	Amount Expended.
<i>Brought forward</i>		\$54,373 97
Street Improvements, new Ward 2..	Public Landing, Jef- fries Point.....	300 00
Street Improvements, new Ward 13..	Broadway (draw) bridge.....	3,582 15
Street Improvements, Ward 20.....	Savin Hill avenue bridge.....	43 72
Street Improvements, Ward 25.....	Cottage Farm bridge and Everett street bridge.....	5,629 79
Reserved Fund.....	Executions of Court and award of Com- mittee on Claims...	4,413 94
Total		\$68,343 57

Amount expended and charged to regular appro- priation	\$119,963 55
Amount expended and charged to Bridge Division specials	27,172 77
Amount expended and charged to special appro- priations in charge of other divisions	68,343 57

Grand total of expenditures Feb. 1, 1896, to
Jan. 31, 1897 \$215,479 89

INCOME.

The amount of bills deposited with the City Collector during
the year was as follows :

Work done by this division	\$69 90
Rent for location of cable houses and boxes	2,950 00
Rent of buildings and pier	83 33
Rent of land and buildings (leases)	1,266 67
Total	<u>\$4,369 90</u>

A detailed statement of expenditures, and description of work performed follows ; also a list of those bridges supported wholly or in part by the City of Boston ; statement of the public land-
ing places ; list of cable-houses and boxes ; census of traffic taken on some of the most important bridges ; number of draw openings made for navigation ; width of draw openings ; and table showing widths of bridges, and kind of roadways and side-walks.

TIDE-WATER BRIDGES.

Broadway bridge (over Fort Point Channel).

Patched deck in various places, and thoroughly patched sheathing the whole length of the bridge, under orders issued at sixteen different times during the year, or practically sheathed the whole bridge.

Repaired pier and fender guard, machinery, engines, iron fence, gates, latches, gas fixtures, concrete walk, etc.

Paid for smoke fenders erected during 1895, and which were removed this year.

Cleaned and painted eight plain posts, or supports to the bridge, and eight with over-hanging brackets, also beams with two coats of metallic mixture. Painted boat, two coats.

Carpenters	\$1,557 76	
Painters	356 94	
Lumber	552 97	
Nails	78 47	
Ironwork	283 52	
Repairing engines and machinery	255 89	
Hardware	14 53	
Paint stock	98 25	
Metal smoke fenders . .	431 00	
Repairing pier and fender guard	161 72	
Repairing pipe and gas fixtures	69 90	
Repairing concrete walk .	6 27	
Painters' tools	59 22	
Removing smoke fenders .	14 80	
Teaming lumber	127 50	
		\$4,068 74

Regular expenses:

Draw-tenders	\$5,506 82	
Substitutes	210 00	
Coal	179 68	
Gas	44 40	
Water	25 00	
Insurance on boiler . .	100 00	
Ice	6 00	
Small supplies	24 99	
		6,096 89

\$10,165 63

Cambridge-street bridge (from Brighton to Cambridge).

Repaired deck and sheathing on bridge and draw, and sheathed the bridge.

Carpenters \$40 00

Carried forward,

\$40 00

\$10,165 63

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$40 00	\$10,165 63
Lumber	67 97	
Nails	8 58	
Ironwork	5 50	
Spar for buoy	12 50	
	<hr/>	\$134 55

Regular expenses:		
Draw-tender	\$372 59	
Coal	9 30	
Small supplies	8 22	
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524 66

Charles-river bridge (from Boston to Charles-town).

Patched sheathing, repaired float and bridge fence, repaired machinery, also set new mooring stone for buoy.

Carpenters	\$54 50	
Lumber	45 86	
Nails	16 05	
Ironwork	31 90	
Paint stock (labor 1895)	33 75	
Mooring stone and chain	70 00	
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Regular expenses:		
Draw-tenders	\$4,910 32	
Coal	371 64	
Gas	35 37	
Water	25 00	
Cordage	151 67	
Ice	6 00	
Watering	100 00	
Insurance on boiler	50 00	
Supplies	21 38	
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5,923 44

Chelsea bridge, North, (over North channel, Mystic river).

Repaired machinery, gates, gear, latches, etc., and re-set buoy.

Carpenters	\$6 75	
Nails	8 99	
Ironwork	27 35	
Repairing gate	14 16	
Repairing machinery	6 91	
Setting buoy	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$114 16

Carried forward,

\$114 16

\$16,613 73

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$114 16	\$16,613 73
Regular expenses:		
Draw-tenders	\$4,333 02	
Substitutes	157 50	
Coal	30 36	
Electric lights	44 00	
Water	10 00	
Stove, pipe, etc.	18 35	
Furniture	7 00	
Grease	9 65	
Ice	6 00	
Small supplies	8 94	
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	4,624 82	
	<hr/>	4,738 98

**Chelsea bridge, South (over South Channel,
Mystic river).**

Sheathed draw, repaired machinery, engine, gates,
etc.

Carpenters	\$81 50	
Lumber	88 14	
Nails	13 48	
Ironwork	35 14	
Repairing engine	60 56	
Paint stock	4 25	
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	\$283 07	

Regular expenses:

Draw-tenders	\$4,309 98	
Substitutes	107 50	
Coal	231 20	
Gas	36 97	
Water	32 50	
Cleaning boiler tubes	18 00	
Insurance on boiler	50 00	
Ice	6 00	
Small supplies	5 46	
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	4,797 61	
	<hr/>	5,080 68

**Chelsea-street bridge (from East Boston to
Chelsea).**

Sheathed one side and repaired iron fence.

Carpenters	\$13 75	
Nails	3 94	
Repairing iron fence	8 95	
Tide-water displacement	27 00	
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	\$53 64	

Regular expenses:

Draw-tender	\$304 75	
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<i>Carried forward,</i>	\$304 75	<hr/>
	\$53 64	<hr/>
		\$26,433 39

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$304 75	\$53 64	\$26,433 39
Coal	4 65		
Small supplies	33		
	<hr/>	309 73	
		<hr/>	363 37

Commercial Point or Tenean bridge, Dorchester.

Regular expenses :	
Draw-tender	50 00

Congress-street bridge (over Fort Point channel).

Sheathed draw, repaired deck under paved roadway, patched sheathing in various places, repaired concrete walk, fence, sidewalk, and put in new oak headers. Repaired machinery, engines, iron fence, latches, gears and water-pipe. Painted draw-house and fence on bridge.

Carpenters	\$571 44
Painters	142 00
Lumber	593 73
Nails	34 83
Ironwork	326 78
Repairing fence	111 20
Bolts, etc.	36 71
Repairing machinery	399 10
Sprocket wheel	11 83
Repairing engines	119 43
Boiler grate	24 65
Hardware	14 19
Paint stock	15 64
Plumbing	20 30
Repairing concrete walk	50 56
Teaming lumber	7 50
Asphaltum	12 25
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	\$2,492 14

Regular expenses :

Draw-tenders	\$5,984 12
Substitutes	210 00
Coal	305 40
Water	74 25
Insurance on boilers	100 00
Kerosene	38 88
Ice	6 00
Small supplies	20 60
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	6,739 25
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	9,231 39

Carried forward,

\$36,078 15

Brought forward, \$36,078 15

Dover-street bridge (over Fort Point channel).

Patched sheathing in various places under eight different orders, and put in new oak headers; repaired machinery, trucks, motor, iron fence, water-pipe, and put in new armature; painted draw-house.

Carpenters	\$295 37	
Painters	175 01	
Lumber	280 94	
Nails	21 87	
Ironwork	100 66	
Repairing iron fence . .	48 75	
Repairing motor . .	47 32	
New armature and supplies,	197 03	
Hardware	6 01	
Paint stock	18 39	
Plumbing	20 13	
	<hr/>	\$1,211 48

Regular expenses:

Draw-tenders	\$5,309 16	
Substitutes	183 63	
Coal	27 90	
Repairing stove, etc. . .	24 75	
New stove	12 00	
Damage to team	5 25	
Ice	6 00	
Small supplies	7 07	
	<hr/>	5,575 76

6,787 24

Essex-street bridge (from Brighton to Cambridge).

Sheathed draw and patched deck; patched sheathing at five different places on the bridge and repaired ring bolts.

Carpenters	\$102 62	
Lumber	141 36	
Nails	10 26	
Ironwork	14 00	
	<hr/>	\$268 24

Regular expenses:

Draw-tenders	\$670 98	
Substitute	25 32	
Coal	12 33	
Small supplies	2 58	
	<hr/>	711 21

979 45

Carried forward,

\$43,844 84

Brought forward,

\$43,844 84

Federal-street bridge (over Fort Point channel).

Sheathed draw twice, patched sheathing, repaired sidewalk, foundation to sheave, railing to run, and concrete sidewalk; repaired machinery, put in new steel cable on draw, and repaired water-pipes, latches and iron fence; painted draw-house and boat.

Carpenters	\$104 38
Painters	155 80
Lumber	143 35
Nails	12 15
Ironwork	157 77
Steel cable	14 73
New smokestack . .	17 90
Paint stock	19 05
Plumbing	24 60
Repairing concrete walk .	113 75
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	\$763 48

Regular expenses:

Draw-tenders	\$5,519 98
Substitutes	120 00
Coal	43 80
Gas	50 70
Water	10 00
Zinc, etc. . . .	6 92
Ice	6 00
Oil and grease	8 25
Small supplies	17 77
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	5,783 42
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	6,546 90

Granite bridge (from Dorchester to Milton).

Sheathed draw, relaid sidewalk, repaired sheathing and fence.

Carpenters	\$44 75
Lumber	77 08
Ironwork	2 20
Nails	6 00
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	\$130 03

Regular expenses:

Draw-tender	243 80
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	373 83

Carried forward,

\$50,765 57

Brought forward,

\$50,765 57

L-street bridge (over reserved channel at junction of Congress and L streets).

Repaired draw-house, machinery, etc., and put in water-pipe from hydrant on L street to engine-house, also overflow to tank work done in 1895, afterwards repaired said pipe; painted engine-house and top, sides and underside of draw, two coats.

Carpenters	\$25 00	
Painters	178 25	
Lumber	3 54	
Nails	32	
Ironwork	2 90	
Repairing machinery .	20 57	
Paint stock	16 51	
Plumbing	839 18	
Painting signs	27 40	
	<hr/>	\$1,113 67

Regular expenses :

Draw-tenders	\$4,568 90	
Coal	246 60	
Water	56 00	
Insurance on boiler . .	100 00	
Ice	6 00	
Lubricating oil	6 75	
Gauge glasses, etc. . .	7 33	
Small supplies	28 09	
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6,133 34

Malden bridge (from Charlestown to Everett).
 Sheathed the draw, repaired deck and sheathing, wheels and shaft, wheel-rest, guard-rail and latch; also repaired concrete sidewalk.

Carpenters	\$96 50	
Lumber	74 60	
Nails	2 65	
Ironwork	90 17	
Bolts, etc. . . .	57 26	
Plumbing	5 53	
Repairing concrete walk .	32 25	
Spar for buoy	12 50	
	<hr/>	\$371 46

Regular expenses :

Draw-tenders	\$3,512 34	
Substitutes	202 29	

Carried forward,

\$3,714 63	\$371 46	\$56,898 91
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<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$3,714 63	\$371 46	\$56,898 91
Coal	36 70		
Gas	26 00		
Water	17 00		
Lubricating oil	4 50		
Ice	6 00		
Small supplies	2 56		
	<hr/>	3,807 39	
		<hr/>	4,178 85

Meridian-street bridge (from East Boston to Chelsea).

Repaired waterway, machinery on draw and re-set two buoys.

Carpenters	\$116 00		
Lumber	23 21		
Ironwork	40 94		
Repairing machinery	41 26		
Resetting buoys, shackles, etc.	265 47		
Signs	8 48		
	<hr/>	\$495 36	

Regular expenses:

Draw-tenders	\$4,224 03		
Substitutes	110 66		
Coal	23 00		
Gas	47 34		
Feed	117 22		
Water	10 00		
Horse-shoeing	40 75		
Pasturing horse	6 00		
Ice	9 00		
Lubricating oil	4 50		
Small supplies	19 93		
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Mt. Washington-avenue bridge (over Fort-Point channel).

Sheathed draw, patched deck, repaired sheathing, sidewalks, beams, machinery and water-pipes; painted draw-house.

Carpenters	\$223 76		
Painters	97 50		
Lumber	193 15		
Nails	9 75		
Ironwork	10 67		
Hardware	5 73		
	<hr/>	\$540 56	
<i>Carried forward,</i>			\$66,185 55

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<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$540 56	\$66,185 55
Paint-stock	12 70	
Plumbing	27 60	
	<hr/>	\$580 86

Regular expenses:

Draw-tenders	\$4,912 94	
Coal	32 55	
Gas	58 80	
Water	10 00	
Rent of land	60 00	
Ice	6 00	
Small supplies	15 95	
	<hr/>	5,096 24
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		5,677 10

Neponset bridge (from Dorchester to Quincy).
 Sheathed the draw, built new sidewalk, patched sheathing and repaired machinery.

Carpenters	\$88 50	
Lumber	111 03	
Nails	5 72	
Ironwork	274 72	
	<hr/>	\$479 97

Regular expenses:

Draw-tender	\$406 51	
Small supplies	33	
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		\$886 81

North Beacon-street bridge (from Brighton to Watertown).

Sheathed the draw.

Carpenters	\$8 00	
Lumber	12 93	
Nails	1 05	
	<hr/>	\$21 98

Regular expenses:

Draw-tender	76 32	
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North Harvard-street bridge (from Brighton to Cambridge).

Patched deck and sheathing.

Carpenters	\$14 75	
Lumber	17 39	
Nails	1 55	
	<hr/>	\$33 69

Regular expenses:

Draw-tender	372 59	
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Carried forward, \$73,254 04

Brought forward,

\$73,254 04

Warren bridge (from Boston to Charlestown).
 Patched sheathing various places under thirteen orders, sheathed the draw twice, and repaired deck, fence, pier, stable floor and ladder; put in three trucks and repaired engines, machinery, trucks, concrete sidewalk, water-pipes, water-closet, iron fence, guard rails, and put in two new steel cables on the draw; also painted draw house.

Carpenters	\$420 33	
Painters	235 72	
Lumber	362 01	
Nails	37 53	
Ironwork	370 18	
Repairing machinery . .	136 73	
“ trucks	236 40	
“ engines	177 35	
Grate	16 02	
Steel cables	34 34	
Paint stock	27 38	
Plumbing	226 97	
Repairing concrete walk .	13 62	
Doors	17 25	
Window glass	6 30	
	<hr/>	\$2,368 13

Regular expenses:

Draw-tenders,	\$5,613 99	
Substitutes	273 75	
Coal	709 12	
Gas	30 76	
Water	50 00	
Insurance on boiler . .	100 00	
Watering	450 00	
Ice	6 00	
Small supplies	35 65	
	<hr/>	7,269 27

9,637 40

Western-avenue bridge (from Brighton to Cambridge).

Sheathed the draw and patched deck and sheathing.

Carpenters	\$63 00	
Lumber	94 98	
Nails	9 30	
Ironwork	9 70	
Hardware	50	
	<hr/>	\$177 48

Carried forward,

\$177 48 \$82,891 44

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$177 48	\$82,891 44
Regular expenses:		
Draw-tender	372 59	
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Western-avenue bridge (from Brighton to Watertown).

Sheathed the draw, repaired headers, latches, clamps, chain, and hand-wheel.

Carpenters	\$93 57
Lumber	53 86
Nails	12 06
Ironwork	32 67
Hardware	1 12
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	\$193 28

Regular expenses:	
Draw-tender	\$76 32
Small supplies	75
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	77 07
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	270 35

Winthrop bridge (from Breed's Island to Winthrop).

Patched deck and sheathing, Nails . . . \$13 50
[Balance of material charged to special appropriation.]

Regular expenses:	
Draw-tender	\$100 00
Lanterns	3 42
Kerosene oil	7 68
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	111 10
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	124 60

Sundry Expenditures on tide-water bridges.

Carpenters, sundry repairs,	\$119 84
Oak lumber " "	136 61
Hardware " "	9 43
Car fares (mechanics) . . .	150 00
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	\$415 88

Regular expenses:	
Messenger	\$797 68
Draw-tenders' books . . .	66 42
Stationery	10 16
Mops	11 52
Window brushes	12 90
Scrubbing "	10 50
Floor "	27 00
Dusters	17 04
Sponges	21 00
Lanterns and globes . . .	15 30
Metal polish	8 00
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<i>Carried forward,</i>	\$997 52	\$415 88	\$83,836 46
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<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$997 52	\$415 88	\$83,836 46
Soap	18 15		
Waste	46 02		
Heavy brooms	8 80		
House "	13 00		
Padlocks	41 32		
Soapine	24 00		
Matches	5 50		
Salt, north bridges	15 60		
Salt, south "	7 20		
	<hr/>	1,177 11	
		<hr/>	1,592 99
Public landings.			
Repairs.			
Commercial wharf:			
Labor	\$26 75		
Towage	10 00		
	<hr/>	\$36 75	
Charles river:			
Labor	16 50		
Jeffries Point:			
Labor	\$66 50		
Signs	5 35		
	<hr/>	71 85	
	<hr/>	\$125 10	
Regular expenses:			
East Boston:			
Rent		250 00	
		<hr/>	375 10
Total expended on tide-water bridges			<u>\$85,804 55</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Table showing Expenditures on the Tide-water Bridges for the Year Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.

NAME OF BRIDGE.	Repairs, Labor, Lumber, Iron- work and Painting.	Regular Ex- penses, Sala- ries, Fuel and Supplies.	Total.
Broadway.....	\$4,068 74	\$6,096 89	\$10,165 63
Cambridge street.....	134 55	390 11	524 66
Charles river.....	252 06	5,671 38	5,923 44
Chelsea (North).....	114 16	4,624 82	4,738 98
Chelsea (South).....	283 07	4,797 61	5,080 68
Chelsea street.....	53 64	309 73	363 37
Commercial point.....		50 00	50 00
Congress street.....	2,492 14	6,739 25	9,231 39
Dover street.....	1,211 48	5,575 76	6,787 24
Essex street.....	268 24	711 21	979 45
Federal street.....	763 48	5,783 42	6,546 90
Granite.....	120 03	243 80	373 83
L street.....	1,113 67	5,019 67	6,133 34
Malden.....	371 46	3,807 39	4,178 85
Meridian street.....	495 36	4,612 43	5,107 79
Mt. Washington avenue.....	580 86	5,096 24	5,677 10
Neponset.....	479 97	406 84	886 81
North Beacon street.....	21 98	76 32	98 30
North Harvard street.....	33 69	372 59	406 28
Warren.....	2,368 13	7,269 27	9,637 40
Western avenue (to Cambridge)..	177 48	372 59	550 07
Western avenue (to Watertown)..	193 28	77 07	270 35
Winthrop.....	13 50	111 10	124 60
Sundry expenditures	415 88	1,177 11	1,592 99
Public landings.....	125 10	250 00	375 10
Totals.....	\$16,161 95	\$69,642 60	\$85,804 55

INLAND BRIDGES.

Albany-street bridge (over Boston and Albany Railroad).

Sheathed bridge, repaired sidewalk and iron fence, patched sheathing various times, patched deck and painted all ironwork.

Carpenters	\$458 12
Painters	657 15
Watchman	98 51
Lumber	335 62
Nails	12 81
Ironwork	2 40
Lag screws	5 00
Repairing iron fence	54 95
Mortar	6 00
Paint stock	109 85

\$1,740 41

Allston bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad, at Cambridge street).

Patched sheathing.

Carpenters	\$9 50
Lumber	15 78
Nails	79

26 07

Ashland-street bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Providence Division).

Patched sheathing.

Carpenters	\$5 00
Lumber	5 85
Nails	47

11 32

Beacon-street bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).

Repaired deck and sidewalk and sheathed the bridge.

Carpenters	\$78 63
Lumber	121 80
Nails	9 91
Bolts	1 00

211 34

Beacon-street bridge (over outlet).

Repaired sidewalk.

Carpenters	\$3 62
Nails	32

3 94

Carried forward,

\$1,993 08

Brought forward,

\$1,993 08

Berkeley-street bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).

Sheathed one roadway and painted bridge.

Carpenters	\$19 94
Painters	157 86
Lumber	30 08
Nails	2 05
Repairing painters' tools	3 20
Paint stock	10 94

224 07

Berkeley-street bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Providence Division).

Sheathed roadway, patched deck, also patched sheathing six different times.

Carpenters	\$119 62
Lumber	394 50
Nails	25 08

539 20

Berwick Park (foot) bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Providence Division).

Painted bridge.

Painters	\$164 31
Paint stock	19 00

183 31

Bolton-street bridge (over New England Railroad).

Repaired sidewalk.

Carpenters	1 25
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Boylston-avenue bridge (over Stony brook).

Patched sheathing three times.

Carpenters	\$16 38
Lumber	23 92
Nails	2 89

43 19

Boylston-street bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).

Patched sheathing.

Carpenters	7 00
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Broadway bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).

Sheathed roadway, repaired deck and patched sheathing.

Carpenters	\$15 25
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Carried forward,

\$15 25

\$2,991 10

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$15 25	\$2,991 10
Lumber	9 70	
Nails	6 81	
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Brookline-avenue bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).		
Sheathed one roadway.		
Carpenters	\$16 50	
Nails	1 58	
	<hr/>	18 08

[Lumber to be paid for in 1897.]

Byron-street bridge (over Boston, Revere Beach and Lynn Railroad).		
Laid new deck and sheathing.		
Carpenters	\$117 48	
Lumber	250 19	
Nails	13 20	
	<hr/>	380 87

Central-avenue bridge (from Dorchester to Milton over Neponset river).		
Patched deck, sheathing and sidewalk.		
Carpenters	\$105 71	
Lumber	136 56	
Nails	5 80	
	<hr/>	248 07

Cohasset-street (culvert).		
Laid new deck and sheathing.		
Carpenters	\$41 01	
Lumber	71 28	
Nails	3 55	
	<hr/>	115 84

Columbus-avenue bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).		
Sheathed both roadways, repaired sidewalks and guard rail.		
Carpenters	\$75 34	
Lumber	95 77	
Nails	5 51	
Ironwork	7 21	
	<hr/>	183 83

Cornwall-street bridge (over Stony brook).		
Sheathed the bridge.		
Carpenters	\$15 00	
Lumber	47 99	
Nails	2 36	
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<i>Carried forward,</i>	<hr/>	\$4,034 90
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Brought forward,

\$4,034 90

Cottage Farm bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad at Commonwealth avenue).

Carpenters	\$22 00
Lumber	25 30
Nails	10 11
Use of telephone, etc.	3 70

61 11

Cottage-street (foot) bridge (over flats, East Boston).

Bridge-tender	\$747 36
Ice	6 00

753 36

Dartmouth-street bridge (over Boston & Albany, and Providence Division of New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad).

Patched sheathing, paid for smoke fenders erected in 1895, and which were removed this year, also removed wooden ornaments.

Carpenters	\$20 00
Painters	2 50
Lumber	4 93
Nails	93
Erecting smoke fenders	362 14
Removing smoke fenders	30 90

421 40

Dorchester-street bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Plymouth Division).

Repaired sheathing, and cleaned ironwork under southerly sidewalk, and painted same two coats.

Painters	\$28 13
Paint stock	9 40
Repairing sheathing by Railroad Co.	2 64

40 17

Elmwood-street bridge (over Stony brook).

Sheathed the bridge.

Carpenters	\$7 38
Lumber	17 49
Nails	1 20

26 07

Ferdinand-street bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).

Sheathed roadway, patched deck and sheathing and painted bridge.

Carpenters	\$48 25
Painters	73 65

Carried forward,

\$121 90

\$5,337 01

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$121 90	\$5,337 01
Nails	5 15	
Paint stock	21 68	
	<hr/>	148 73

[Lumber to be paid for in 1897.]

Hyde Park-avenue bridge (over Stony Brook).

Sheathed bridge, repaired fence and sheathing.

Carpenters	\$16 13	
Lumber	16 42	
Nails	1 92	
	<hr/>	34 47

Irvington street (foot) bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Providence Division).

Cleaned bridge and painted same two coats.

[Part of stock taken from yard.]

Painters	\$29 38	
Paint stock	3 96	
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Jamaica street (culvert).

Patched sheathing.

Carpenters	\$1 25	
Lumber	5 28	
Nails	23	
	<hr/>	6 76

Keyes-street bridge (over Stony brook).

Sheathed the bridge, afterwards patched the same.

Carpenters	\$16 00	
Lumber	19 97	
Nails	2 27	
	<hr/>	38 24

Leyden-street bridge (over Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad).

Patched deck and sheathing.

Carpenters	\$25 97	
Lumber	60 47	
Nails	4 50	
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Linden Park-street bridge (over Stony brook).

Sheathed bridge, patched deck and sheathing.

Carpenters	\$65 33	
Lumber	62 69	
Nails	4 25	
	<hr/>	132 27

Carried forward,

\$5,821 76

Brought forward,

\$5,821 76

Longwood-avenue bridge (from Roxbury to Brookline).

Repaired deck and sheathing at five different times, afterwards laid new sheathing and repaired sidewalk.

Carpenters	\$106 00
Lumber	131 92
Nails	11 82
Teaming	1 50

251 24

Massachusetts-avenue bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).

Sheathed the roadways.

Carpenters	\$42 75
Lumber	106 10
Nails	10 80

159 65

Massachusetts-avenue bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Providence Division).

Sheathed the roadways and painted bridge.

Carpenters	\$24 75
Painters	231 57
Lumber	67 38
Nails	5 80
Paint stock	24 96
Teaming	1 50

355 96

Roxbury Crossing (foot) bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Providence Division).

Removed the bridge July 13, 1896.

Carpenters	\$21 00
Removing trusses	73 03
Teaming	10 00

104 03

Shawmut avenue bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).

Carpenters	\$7 50
Lumber	6 85
Nails	94

15 29

Swett-street bridge (west of New England Railroad).

Patched sheathing and repaired sidewalk.

Carpenters	\$18 00
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Carried forward,

\$18 00

\$6,707 93

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$18 00	\$6,707 93
Lumber	41 59	
Nails	2 42	
	<hr/>	62 01
Swett-street bridge (east of New England Railroad).		
Repaired sidewalk.		
Carpenters		1 25
West Newton-street bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Providence Division).		
Sheathed bridge.		
Carpenters	\$34 25	
Lumber	72 31	
Nails	4 50	
Teaming	4 50	
	<hr/>	115 56
West Rutland square (foot) bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Providence Division).		
Painted bridge.		
Painters	\$63 86	
Paint stock	19 36	
Repairing tools	3 85	
	<hr/>	87 07
Williams-street bridge (over Stony brook).		
Patched sheathing.		
Carpenters	\$3 00	
Lumber	15 64	
Nails	1 11	
	<hr/>	19 75
Sundry expenditures on Inland Bridges.		
Labor, on snow	\$640 34	
Labor, cleaning bridges	567 58	
Sand, for slippery walks	40 25	
Teaming sweepings	55 00	
Carpenters, sundry repairs	59 92	
Car fares, mechanics, sundry bridges	80 00	
	<hr/>	1,443 09
Total expended on Inland Bridges		<u><u>\$8,436 66</u></u>

RECAPITULATION.

*Table showing expenditures on the Inland Bridges for the Year
Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.*

Name of Bridge.	Repairs, Labor, Lumber, Ironwork, and Painting.
Albany street	\$1,740 41
Allston	26 07
Ashland street	11 32
Beacon street (over B. & A. Railroad)	211 34
Beacon street (over outlet)	3 94
Berkeley street (over B. & A. Railroad)	224 07
Berkeley street (over Providence Division)	539 20
Berwick park	183 31
Bolton street	1 25
Boylston avenue	43 19
Boylston street	7 00
Broadway (over B. & A. Railroad)	31 76
Brookline avenue	18 08
Byron street	380 87
Central avenue	248 07
Cohasset street (culvert)	115 84
Columbus avenue	183 83
Cornwall street	65 35
Cottage Farm	61 11
Cottage street	753 36
Dartmouth street	421 40
Dorchester street	40 17
Elmwood street	26 07
Ferdinand street	148 73
Hyde Park avenue	34 47
Irvington street	33 34
Jamaica street (culvert)	6 76
Keyes street	38 24
Leyden street	90 94
Linden Park street	132 27
Longwood avenue	251 24
Massachusetts avenue (over B. & A. Railroad)	159 65
Massachusetts avenue (over Providence Division),	355 96
Roxbury Crossing	104 03
Shawmut avenue	15 29
Swett street (west)	62 01
Swett street (east)	1 25
West Newton street	115 56
West Rutland square	87 07
Williams street	19 75
Sundry expenditures	1,443 09
Total	<u>\$8,436 66</u>

REGULAR MAINTENANCE EXPENSES AT NORTH AND SOUTH YARDS.

NORTH YARD, DISTRICT No. 1.

Warren Bridge.

Messengers	\$1,603 72
Watchman	714 00
Tools for carpenters	63 70
Gas	23 07
Repairing steam apparatus	17 83
Telephone	156 00
Kerosene oil	14 00
Water	20 00
Ice	6 00
Plumbing	2 50
Red flags	13 25
Shovels	5 85
Hardware	7 19
Small supplies	15 03

\$2,062 14

STABLE, DISTRICT No. 1.

Warren Bridge.

Teamster	\$780 00
Hostler	575 75
Stable boy	122 50
Feed	340 10
New buggy	185 00
Repairing wagon	16 30
Repairing sleigh	26 75
Repairing harness	12 00
Horseshoeing	63 00
Veterinary service	23 00
Horse-clipping	9 00
Fur robes	30 92
Blanket, whip, and weight	5 25
Insect powder	7 50
Small supplies	17 08

2,214 15

Total expended, North Yard and Stable . \$4,276 29

SOUTH YARD, DISTRICT No. 2.

No. 45 Foundry Street.

Messengers	\$1,288 56
Watchman	742 00

Carried forward, \$2,030 56

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$2,030 56
Yard and stock boys	740 50
Tools for carpenters	68 18
Tools for painters	166 44
Telephone	156 00
Hardware	6 70
Cordage	11 92
Coal	18 60
Water	10 00
Red flags	23 25
Ice	6 00
New stove and pipe	24 00
Shovels	16 47
Ice choppers	4 65
Street horses	12 83
Small supplies	54 46
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	\$3,350 56

STABLE, DISTRICT NO. 2.

No. 64 Dorchester Avenue.

Teamster	\$792 50
Hostler	750 00
Stable boy	649 25
Feed	449 49
Repairing wagons	212 55
Repairing buggies	179 35
Repairing sleighs	86 25
Repairing vehicles by Sanitary Division,	400 60
Rent of stable	600 00
Coal	18 60
Veterinary service	189 43
Two new harnesses	113 00
Repairing harnesses	69 15
Clipping horses	38 00
Horseshoeing	333 75
Horse hire	13 85
Use of buggy	57 50
Second-hand buggy	100 00
New sleigh	150 00
New buggy	250 00
Bay mare	195 00
Bay gelding	130 00
Fur robes	37 07
Blanket, whip, and weight	7 88
Small supplies	107 15
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	5,930 37
Total expended, South Yard and Stable	<hr/> <u>\$9,280 93</u>

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

IN CHARGE OF BRIDGE DIVISION.

Charles-river bridge, draw, remodelling, etc.
(Boston to Charlestown).

Repaired deck and piling under paved roadway,
sheathed the draw twice, put in truck and re-
paired fence.

Carpenters	\$291 08
Spruce	247 46
Oak	39 13
Bolts, nuts, etc.	14 18
W. H. Ellis, repairing planking under roadway, etc.	1,925 27

Total expended Jan. 31, 1897	\$2,517 12
Balance	407 04

Appropriation	<u>\$2,924 16</u>
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Chelsea bridge (North) rebuilding draw, etc.,
(over North channel, Mystic river).

Made general repairs and additions to racks, shafts,
pinions, gears, etc., of the draw, preparatory to
the use of electric motor, and made extensive
repairs upon the waterway.

Contract with Augustus Bellevue & Co.:

Eighth and final estimate	\$4,561 80
Extra work done	255 48
	<u>\$4,817 28</u>

Setting rack, trolley-posts, etc., and re- pairing float stage, fence and north pier	548 02
Castings, rack, boxes, shafts, pinions, etc.	934 77
Castings for counterbalance weights	59 00
Inspector	92 00
Repairing motor	103 88
Installing motor, etc.	279 74
Melting lead for ballast	6 60
Two mitre gears	50 00
Two spare axles with wheels	136 00
Painting track stringers	126 84
Express	3 90
Carpenters, on waterway	513 00
Lumber, on waterway	142 42
Repairing machinery	23 40
Resetting buoy	165 00

Carried forward, \$8,001 85

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$8,001 85	
Ringbolts, repairing latches, etc.	39 00	
Car fares	25 00	
Elastic paint mixture	47 25	
Painting ten signs	118 00	
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Total expended Jan. 31, 1897		\$8,231 10
Balance		5,030 54
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Appropriation		<u>\$13,261 64</u>

Gold-street bridge (over New England Railroad).

Paid New England Railroad Company for flagmen while bridge was being placed in position	\$28 25	
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Total expended Jan. 31, 1897		\$28 25
Balance		18,569 33
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Appropriation		<u>\$18,597 58</u>

Meridian-street bridge, reconstructing draw (from East Boston to Chelsea).

Rebuilt trusses of the draw, and repaired spurshores, piles, girder caps, and fender-guard. Put in new deck on draw, sheathed the same, repaired waterway, pier, fence, concrete sidewalk, machinery and float stage, reset buoy and painted bridge and fence.

Carpenters	\$1,852 96	
Painters	1,631 36	
Spruce	790 64	
Hard pine	712 79	
Oak	23 80	
Nails	69 73	
Bolts, straps, plates, wedges, etc.	289 12	
Repairing machinery	52 50	
Repairing rack pinions, gear, etc.	75 88	
Ladders, rope, grindstones, wrenches, etc.	54 87	
Lead, oil, turpentine and japan	128 90	
Car fares	100 00	
Contract with W. H. Ellis, rebuilding trusses of the draw	2,025 96	
Driving piles, repairing fender-guard, etc.	731 18	
Resetting buoy, chain, etc.	125 00	
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Carried forward, \$8,664 69

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$8,664 69	
Repairing float stage	31 08	
Inspector	276 00	
Repairing concrete sidewalk	870 10	
Contract with Lockwood Manufacturing Co., for dynamo and machinery,	1,585 00	
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Total expended Jan. 31, 1897		\$11,426 87
Balance		2,833 61
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Appropriation		<u>\$14,260 48</u>

Reconstruction of Essex-street bridge (from Brighton to Cambridge).

[Work not completed.]

Contract with Wm. S. Rendle, making repairs, first approximate estimate,	\$4,688 70	
Specifications	31 10	
Advertising	25 63	
Inspector	224 00	
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Total expended Jan. 31, 1897		\$4,969 43
Balance		1,530 57
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Appropriation		<u>\$6,500 00</u>

AMOUNTS CHARGED TO SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS IN CHARGE OF OTHER DIVISIONS.

Paid New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company for the construction of railroad bridge over Geneva avenue, Dorchester, at Shawmut Branch.	
Charged to "Laying-Out and Construction of Highways"	<u>\$14,026 58</u>

Winthrop bridge (from Breed's Island to Winthrop).

Repaired damage to bridge caused by ice and the tide; also sheathed the bridge.

Contract with J. N. Hayes & Co., making repairs, driving piles, etc.	\$1,519 92	
Inspector	144 00	
Carpenters	105 26	
Lumber	253 02	
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Charged to Saratoga street, filling solid old bridge,	<u>\$2,022 20</u>
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Huntington avenue bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).

Stripped the bridge, flattened the curve on top of roadway and sidewalk girders and stringers, put in new deck on roadway, and sidewalks of hard pine, laid new asphalt sidewalks, sheathed the bridge, built new fence, and cleaned all iron and painted same with two coats of red lead.

Painters	\$1,510	86	
Paint, oil-mixer, red lead, oil, etc.	241	29	
Repairing painters' tools	18	80	
Contract with Wm. L. Miller, stone-work, hard pine roadways, sidewalks, etc.	4,358	00	
Contract with Boston Bridge Works, work on girders	2,646	99	
Contract with Boston Asphalt Co., asphalt sidewalks	635	25	
Services of flagman	117	00	
Car fares	25	00	
Repairing sheathing, carpenters	\$11	25	
Lumber	23	24	
Teaming	5	00	
			39 49
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Contract with Wm. L. Miller, removing archway at Chestnut-Hill Reservoir			\$9,592 68
			874 00
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Charged to Blue Hill and other avenues			\$10,466 68

Cottage Farm Bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad at Commonwealth avenue).

Completed new bridge.

Advertising	\$55	75	
Portland cement	2,968	40	
Hard brick	47	25	
Hollow brick	20	00	
Sand	405	00	
Bolts (150)	20	42	
Inspector	330	00	
Covering steel beams with lead	1,647	00	
Pieces stone (16)	227	96	
Contract with Metropolitan Construction Co. laying brick arches and concrete filling	3,041	48	
Contract with A. C. Richmond, placing 124 steel beams	1,900	00	
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<i>Carried forward,</i>	\$10,663	26	

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$10,663 26
Repairing old bridge, carpenters	\$51 63
Lumber	117 26
	<hr/> 168 89
Building temporary fence, carpenters	\$53 25
Lumber	46 35
	<hr/> 99 60

Charged to Commonwealth avenue (old appropriation)

\$10,931 75

Cottage Farm bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad at Commonwealth avenue).

Completed new bridge.

Sand, gravel and screenings	\$611 60
Hollow brick and skews	756 00
Portland cement	1,917 60
Rods (616)	87 20

Contract with Metropolitan Construction Co., laying brick arches and concrete filling, southerly section

2,243 15

Contract with E. B. Badger & Son, covering 91 steel beams with lead

955 50

Contract with A. C. Richmond, extension of abutment, resetting parapet stone and placing filling back of abutment

2,937 38

Contract with Boston Bridge Works, steel superstructure, southerly section

2,400 00

Contract with Boston Asphalt Company Sicilian rock asphalt, northerly roadway

1,751 68

Sicilian rock asphalt, southerly roadway

1,707 86

Artificial stone sidewalk and curbing,

864 85

Setting stone bearing blocks, resetting parapet, northerly abutment, recutting stone for beams and removing old parapet

276 28

Charged to Commonwealth avenue (new appropriation)

\$16,509 10

Public Landing, Jeffries Point (East Boston).

Built new landing.

Carpenters	\$180 00
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Carried forward,

\$180 00

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$180 00	
Lumber	89 38	
Two old masts	70 00	
Nails	2 26	
Bolts, hinges, clamps, etc.	76 02	
Charged to Street Improvements, Wards 1 and 2		<u>\$417 66</u>

Public Landing, Jeffries' Point (East Boston).

Built new landing.

Putting in foundation, placing old ferry drop on same and driving guide piles for float.

Charged to Street Improvements, New Ward 2. \$300 00

Broadway Bridge (over Fort Point channel).

Removed deck, sheathing and sidewalk, put in new beams of hard pine, and deck of kyanized spruce, sheathed the draw with spruce, laid sidewalks of hard pine, built two new sets of stairs, from draw to pier, of hard pine, boxed around trusses with cypress. Painted centre, chords and iron beams with red lead, also painted fence and draw-house. [Part of mechanics labor charged to regular appropriation.]

(Work not completed.)

Carpenters	\$1,792 18	
Painters	617 70	
Kyanized spruce	635 50	
Spruce	133 00	
Hard pine	152 98	
Surveying kyanized spruce	8 09	
Iron clamps, bolts, wedges, dogs and repairing painters' hangers	45 50	
Repairing iron fence	197 20	

Charged to Street Improvements, New Ward 13, \$3,582 15

Savin Hill-avenue bridge (over New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Plymouth Division).

Paid New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company for making repairs, city's part or two-fifths. \$43 72

Charged to Street Improvements, Ward 20 . . . \$43 72

Everett-street bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad).

Sheathed the bridge.

Carpenters	\$108 38
Lumber	327 36
Teaming	20 00

\$455 74

Cottage Farm bridge (over Boston & Albany Railroad at Commonwealth avenue).

Completed new bridge.

Inspector	\$415 00
Sand and screenings	308 80
Portland cement	881 25
Pier column	44 00
Contract with A. C. Richmond, removing old bridge and placing 91 beams, 1,400 00	
Contract with Cape Ann Granite Co. for parapet and bearing courses, southerly section	2,125 00

5,174 05

Charged to Street Improvements, Ward 25 . . . \$5,629 79

Paid award of Committee on Claims to John P. Donovan, for personal injuries received Dec. 3, 1895, on Mt. Washington-avenue bridge . . .	\$150 00
Paid execution of court to James O. Stone, for personal injuries received June 4, 1894, on Broadway bridge, over Boston & Albany Railroad . .	1,201 35
Paid execution of court to Nathaniel P. Doane <i>et al.</i> , for damage to tug "Nellie," Nov. 18, 1893, at Chelsea (North) bridge	3,062 59

Charged to Reserved Fund . . . \$4,413 94

LIST OF BOSTON BRIDGES.

I. — BRIDGES WHOLLY SUPPORTED BY BOSTON.

[In the list those marked with an asterisk (*) are over navigable waters, and are each provided with a draw.]

In charge of Bridge Division.

- Allston, over Boston & Albany Railroad at Cambridge street, Brighton.
 Ashland street, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, Providence Division, West Roxbury.
 Athens street, over New England Railroad.
 Baker street, at Brook farm, West Roxbury.
 Beacon street, over outlet to Back Bay Fens.
 Beacon street, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
 Berkeley street, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
 Berkeley street, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, Providence Division.
 Berwick-park (foot) bridge, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, Providence Division.
 Blakemore street, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, Providence Division.
 Bolton street, over New England Railroad.
 Boylston avenue, over Stony brook, West Roxbury.
 Boylston street, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
 *Broadway, over Fort-Point channel.
 Broadway, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
 Brookline avenue, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
 Byron street, over Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad.
 *Charles river, from Boston to Charlestown.
 *Chelsea (South), over south channel, Mystic river.
 *Chelsea street, from East Boston to Chelsea.
 Columbus avenue, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
 *Commercial Point, or Tenean, Dorchester.
 *Congress street, over Fort-Point channel.
 Cornwall street, over Stony brook, West Roxbury.
 Cottage Farm, over Boston & Albany Railroad, at Commonwealth avenue.
 Cottage-street foot-bridge, over flats, East Boston.
 Dartmouth street, over Boston & Albany, and Providence Division of N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad.
 *Dover street, over Fort-Point channel.
 Elmwood street (private way), over Stony brook, Roxbury.
 *Federal street, over Fort-Point channel.
 Ferdinand street, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
 Florence street, over Stony brook, West Roxbury.
 Gold-street foot-bridge, over New England Railroad.

Huntington avenue, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
Hyde Park avenue, over Stony brook, West Roxbury.
Irvington-street foot bridge, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad,
Providence Division.
Keyes street, over Stony brook, West Roxbury.
*L street, over reserved channel at junction of Congress and L
streets.
Leyden street, over Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad.
Linden Park street, over Stony brook, Roxbury.
*Malden, from Charlestown to Everett.
Massachusetts avenue, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
Massachusetts avenue, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, Provi-
dence Division.
*Meridian street, from East Boston to Chelsea.
*Mt. Washington avenue, over Fort-Point channel
Shawmut avenue, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
Swett street, east of New England Railroad.
Swett street, west of New England Railroad.
Texas street, over Stony brook, Roxbury.
*Warren, from Boston to Charlestown.
West Newton street, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, Provi-
dence Division.
West Rutland-square foot-bridge, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Rail-
road, Providence Division.
Williams street, over Stony brook, West Roxbury.
Winthrop, from Breed's Island to Winthrop.

In charge of Park Department.

Agassiz, in Back Bay Fens.
Arborway, over Stony brook.
Audubon road, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
Bernier-street (foot-bridge), in the Riverway.
Boylston-street, in Back Bay Fens.
Bridle path, in the Riverway, over Muddy river.
*Castle-island (foot bridge), from Marine park, South Boston, to
Castle Island.
Charlesgate, Back Bay Fens, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
Circuit drive, over Scarboro' pond, in Franklin Park.
Commonwealth avenue, in Back Bay Fens.
Ellicott arch, in Franklin park.
Fen, Back Bay Fens.
Forest Hills entrance, in Franklin park.
Leverett-pond (foot-bridge), in Leverett park.
Neptune road, over Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad.
Scarboro' pond (foot-bridge), in Franklin park.
Stony brook, Back Bay Fens.

In charge of Public Grounds Department.

Public Garden (foot-bridge).

II. — BRIDGES OF WHICH BOSTON SUPPORTS THE PART
WITHIN ITS LIMITS.*In charge of Bridge Division.*

- *Cambridge street, from Brighton to Cambridge.
- Central avenue, from Dorchester to Milton.
- *Chelsea (North), from Charlestown to Chelsea.
- *Essex street, from Brighton to Cambridge.
- *Granite, from Dorchester to Milton.
- †Longwood avenue, from Roxbury to Brookline.
- Mattapan, from Dorchester to Milton.
- Milton, from Dorchester to Milton.
- *Neponset, from Dorchester to Quincy.
- *North Beacon street, from Brighton to Watertown.
- *North Harvard street, from Brighton to Cambridge.
- Spring street, from West Roxbury to Dedham.
- *Western avenue, from Brighton to Cambridge.
- *Western avenue, from Brighton to Watertown.

In charge of Park Department.

- Bellevue street, in the Riverway, over Muddy river.
- Bernier-street (foot-bridge), in the Riverway, over Muddy river.
- Brookline avenue, in the Riverway, over Muddy river.
- Tremont street, in the Riverway, over Muddy river.

III. — BRIDGES OF WHICH BOSTON PAYS A PART OF THE
COST OF MAINTENANCE.*In charge of Bridge Division.*

- Albany street, over Boston & Albany Railroad.
- Chelsea bridge, over Boston & Maine Railroad.
- Dorchester street, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, Plymouth Division.
- Everett street, over Boston & Albany Railroad, Brighton.
- West Fourth street, over N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, Plymouth Division.

In charge of Commissioners of Cambridge Bridges.

- *Canal, from Boston to Cambridge.
- *Harvard, from Boston to Cambridge.
- *Prison Point, from Charlestown to Cambridge.
- *West Boston, from Boston to Cambridge.

IV. — BRIDGES SUPPORTED BY RAILROAD CORPORATIONS.

1st. — Boston & Albany Railroad.

- Harrison avenue.
- Market street, Brighton.
- Tremont street.
- Washington street.

†To be rebuilt and maintained by Park Departments of Boston and Brookline by Act of Legislature.

2d. — Boston & Maine Railroad, Eastern Division.

Mystic avenue.

Main street.

3d. — Boston & Maine Railroad, Western Division.

Mystic avenue.

Main street.

4th. — Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad.

Everett street.

5th. — New England Railroad.

Dorchester avenue.

Harvard street, Dorchester.

Morton “ “

Norfolk “ “

Norfolk “ “

Silver street.

Washington street, Dorchester.

West Broadway.

West Fifth street.

West Fourth street.

West Second street.

West Sixth street.

West Third street.

6th. — New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Plymouth Division.

Adams street.

Ashmont street and Dorchester avenue.

Cedar Grove Cemetery.

Freeport street.

Savin Hill avenue.

7th. — New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad, Providence Division.

Beach street, West Roxbury.

Bellevue street, West Roxbury.

Canterbury street, West Roxbury.

Centre and Mt. Vernon streets, West Roxbury.

Dudley avenue, West Roxbury.

Park street, West Roxbury.

RECAPITULATION OF BRIDGES.

I.	Number wholly supported by Boston :		
	In charge of Bridge Division	54	
	In charge of Park Department	17	
	In charge of Public Grounds Department	1	
		—	72
II.	Number of which Boston supports the part within its limits :		
	In charge of Bridge Division	14	
	In charge of Park Department	4	
		—	18
III.	Number of which Boston pays a part of the cost of maintenance :		
	In charge of Bridge Division	5	
	In charge of Commissioners of Cambridge Bridges	4	
		—	9
IV.	Number supported by railroad corporations :		
	1. Boston & Albany	4	
	2. Boston & Maine, Eastern Division	2	
	3. " " Western Division	2	
	4. Boston, Revere Beach & Lynn.	1	
	5. New England	13	
	6. New York, New Haven & Hartford, Plymouth Division	5	
	7. New York, New Haven & Hartford, Providence Division	6	
		—	33
	Total number		<u>132</u>

List of Small Bridges or Culverts having Wooden Tops, which are repaired by Bridge Division.— Walls repaired and Openings cleaned by Sewer Division.

LOCATION.	Span. <i>Feet.</i>	Height of Opening. <i>Feet.</i>	Length. <i>Feet.</i>	Side-walls.	Covering.
Ashland street and Canterbury, near Calvary Cemetery, West Roxbury.	7.6	5.5	75	Stone	Wood.
Beech street, near Anawan avenue, at Central station, West Roxbury	4.0	4.0	50	Stone	Wood.
Cass street, near Spring-street station, West Roxbury.....	7.0	3.0	21	Stone	Wood.
Cohasset street, Roslindale	14.0	7.5	60	Stone	Wood.
Gardner street, near Cow Island, West Roxbury	5.0	5.5	33	Wood	Wood.
Jamaica street, Jamaica Plain	10.0	4.0	39	Stone	Wood.
Park street, west of Dorchester avenue, Dorchester.....	5.0	3.7	50	Stone	Wood.
Park street, west of N. Y., N. H. & H. Railroad, Dorchester.....	8.5	5.0	50	Stone	Wood.
Powell street, near Spring-street station, West Roxbury.....	12.0	3.0	65	Stone	Wood.
Spring street, near Spring-street station, West Roxbury.....	2.7	2.7	63	Stone	Wood.
Summer street, near Spring-street station, West Roxbury.....	4.0	4.5	40	Stone	Wood.
Williams street, at Stony Brook, West Roxbury.....	5.0	5.0	50	Wood	Wood.
Woodman street, Jamaica Plain	6.3	4.0	65	Stone	Wood.

PUBLIC LANDING-PLACES.

The following public landing-places have been built by the city, and are maintained and controlled by the Street Department:—

Charles-river Bridge.—Size, 40 × 60. Built in 1890. Moored from city's property.

Essex-street Bridge.—Size, 9 × 23. Built in 1890. Moored from city's property.

East Boston, Public Landing.—Size, 18 × 30. Built in 1893. Moored at dock of East Boston Dry Dock Company. Dock and flats leased at \$250 per year.

Commercial Wharf.—Size, 30 × 50. Built by M. F. Sullivan; contract dated Jan. 1, 1892. Moored at dock of Commercial Wharf Corporation. Dock and flats leased Nov. 30, 1891, at \$1,000 per year.

Federal-street Bridge.—Size, 20 × 30. Built by M. F. Sullivan, Oct, 26, 1892. Moored from city's property.

CABLE-HOUSES AND BOXES.

The following is a list of cable-houses and boxes on bridges in charge of this division:—

New England Telephone and Telegraph Company:

Charles-river bridge, 2 houses, 1 unused box.

Chelsea [South] bridge, 1 house.

Congress-street bridge, 2 houses.

Dover-street bridge, 2 houses or boxes.

Chelsea [North] bridge, 1 box.

Chelsea-street bridge, 1 box.

Malden bridge, 4 boxes.

Meridian-street bridge, 2 boxes.

Neponset bridge, 2 boxes on poles.

Warren bridge, 2 boxes.

American Telephone and Telegraph Company:

Federal-street bridge, 1 house.

Merchants' Telegraph Company:

Congress-street bridge, 2 boxes.

Postal Telegraph Cable Company:

Congress-street bridge, 2 houses.

Malden bridge, 2 boxes.

Warren bridge, 2 boxes.

Boston Electric Light Company:

Congress-street bridge, 2 boxes.

West End Street Railway Company:

Cambridge-street bridge, 1 house.

Dover-street bridge, 1 house, 1 box.

Federal-street bridge, 2 houses.

Malden bridge, 2 houses.

Warren bridge, 2 houses.

Lynn & Boston Railroad Company:

Chelsea [North] bridge, 4 boxes.

Chelsea [South] bridge, 8 boxes.

Boston Police Department:

Chelsea [South] bridge, 1 box.

Malden bridge, 2 boxes.

Boston Fire Department:

Chelsea [North] bridge, 1 box.

Dover-street bridge, 1 house, 1 box.

Meridian-street bridge, 2 boxes.

Warren bridge, 2 boxes.

On Warren bridge there are also five small boxes; the owners of the same are unknown.

**Statement of Traffic on Wednesday, Oct. 28, 1896, between the
Hours of 6 A.M. and 7 P.M.**

North Bridges.

NAME OF BRIDGE.	Foot passengers from Boston.	Foot passengers to Boston.	Teams from Bos- ton.	Teams to Bos- ton.	Street cars from Boston.	Street cars to Boston.	Passengers in cars from Bos- ton.	Passengers in cars to Boston.
Charles river.....	5,280	4,770	2,350	2,175				
Chelsea (North)....	1,270	1,137	807	862	343	338	8,080	7,193
Chelsea (South)....	1,702	1,936	861	1,075	343	338	9,390	9,119
Malden	590	683	812	792	328	351	8,460	8,395
Meridian street...	2,079	2,132	590	656	125	121	1,424	1,549
Warren.....	4,047	5,121	2,585	3,203	1,122	1,132	30,452	34,941

South Bridges.

Broadway	9,940	9,600	2,035	2,215	93	91	1,860	1,820
Congress street....	5,463	5,257	2,470	2,560				
Dover street.....	3,974	4,895	745	912	162	172	4,033	4,124
Federal street....	6,570	3,950	1,718	1,572	498	497	9,621	11,348
L street.....	855	985	98	322				
Mt. Washington avenue	1,592	1,789	717	850				

DRAW-TENDERS' REPORTS.¹

Giving the number of Vessels passing through the Drawbridges controlled by the City of Boston, from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.

NAME OF BRIDGE.	STEAMERS.			SAILING VESSELS.			TUGS.			ALL OTHERS.			TOTAL NUMBER OF VESSELS.			Total Number of Cargoes.	Total Number of Openings.
	By Day.	By Night.	Total.	By Day.	By Night.	Total.	By Day.	By Night.	Total.	By Day.	By Night.	Total.					
Broadway	16	6	22	2,086	996	3,082	2,010	348	2,358	638	222	890	4,770	1,582	6,352	1,925	4,547
Cambridge street				123	10	133	533	39	572	204	13	217	869	62	922	160	538
Charles river	32	7	39	2,167	690	2,857	3,329	792	4,121	1,987	547	2,534	7,515	2,036	9,551	2,611	6,531
Chelsea (North)	108	51	159	983	186	1,169	3,724	649	4,373	1,830	399	2,229	6,645	1,285	7,930	1,484	5,243
Chelsea (South)	36	3	39	1,201	59	1,260	2,625	123	2,748	896	18	914	4,758	203	4,961	1,286	3,794
Chelsea street	6	.....	6	29	1	30	147	16	163	99	6	105	281	23	304	39	166
Commercial Point																	
Congress street	209	83	292	3,189	1,075	4,264	6,987	1,360	8,347	2,441	618	3,059	12,826	3,136	15,962	3,440	8,539
Dover street	14	6	20	1,976	895	2,871	1,792	354	2,146	555	186	741	4,337	1,441	5,778	2,080	4,573
Essex street	4	.....	4	225	13	238	642	43	685	276	19	295	1,147	75	1,222	196	709
Federal street	12	5	17	2,291	1,102	3,393	2,426	515	2,941	692	391	1,083	5,421	2,013	7,434	2,249	5,736
Granite street				60	4	64	234	6	240	54	1	55	348	11	359	58	211
L street	10	8	18	540	190	730	2,255	301	2,556	967	161	1,123	3,772	660	4,432	641	3,149
Malden	4	.....	4	306	46	352	1,264	120	1,384	827	134	961	2,401	300	2,701	617	1,731
Meridian street	36	15	51	610	43	653	3,615	776	4,391	1,607	287	1,954	5,928	1,121	7,049	1,530	4,671

Mt. Washington avenue.....	70	18	88	2,621	1,079	3,700	4,558	868	5,426	1,759	545	2,304	9,008	2,510	11,518	2,971	6,505
Neponset.....	.....	.....	.....	62	4	66	237	13	250	57	3	60	356	20	376	60	229
North Beacon street.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Harvard street.....	.....	.....	.....	86	6	92	265	14	279	67	5	72	418	25	443	75	289
Warren.....	34	8	42	1,385	935	2,320	2,235	772	3,007	1,508	635	2,143	5,162	2,350	7,512	2,143	5,055
Western avenue to Cambridge.....	.....	.....	.....	105	9	114	422	29	451	149	9	158	676	47	723	129	468
Western avenue to Watertown.....	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	36	99	3	102	44	1	45	179	4	183	23	123
Totals.....	591	210	801	20,081	7,343	27,424	39,399	7,141	46,540	16,737	4,210	20,947	76,808	18,904	95,712	23,717	62,857

¹ West Boston, Prison Point, Canal (or Craigie's), and Harvard bridges, not included in these tables, being in the care of commissioners representing the two cities (Boston and Cambridge) connected by these bridges.

Table showing the widths of Openings for Vessels in all Bridges provided with Draws in the City of Boston, Jan. 31, 1897.

NAME OF BRIDGE.	Location.	Number of Openings.	Width.
Boston & Maine R.R., Eastern Division.....	Boston to Charlestown..	1	39 feet 8 inches.
Boston & Maine R.R., Eastern Division.....	Over Miller's river.....	1	35 " 6 "
Boston & Maine R.R. (freight), Southern Division.....	Boston to East Cambridge.....	1	40 " 2 "
Boston & Maine R.R. (passenger), Southern Division.....	" "	1	39 " 7 "
Boston & Maine R.R., Western Division.....	Boston to Charlestown..	1	39 " 7 "
Boston & Maine R.R., Western Division.....	Over Miller's river.....	1	35 " 10 "
Broadway.....	Over Fort Point channel	1	43 " 3 "
Cambridge street.....	Brighton to Cambridge..	1	36 " 4 "
Canal (or Craigie's).....	Boston to East Cambridge.....	1	36 " 1 "
Charles river.....	Boston to Charlestown..	1	36 " 0 "
Chelsea (south channel).....	Charlestown to Chelsea.	1	38 " 9 "
Chelsea (north channel)....	" "	1	44 " 10 "
Chelsea st. (East Boston side)..	East Boston to Chelsea.	2	36 " 0 "
Chelsea street (Chelsea side)...	" "	..	36 " 0 "
Commercial point (or Tenean).	Dorchester.....	1	24 " 0 "
Congress street (Boston side)...	Over Fort Point channel	2	43 " 3 "
" (South Boston side)	" "	..	43 " 9 "
Dover street.....	" "	..	36 " 10 "
Essex street.....	Brighton to Cambridge..	1	35 " 9 "
Federal street.....	Over Fort Point channel	1	41 " 10 "
Fitchburg R.R.....	Boston to Charlestown..	1	36 " 0 "
Fitchburg R.R. (for teaming freight).....	" "	1	36 " 0 "
Grand Junction R.R.....	Brighton to Cambridge.	1	35 " 9 "
" ".....	East Boston to Chelsea..	1	34 " 6 "
Granite.....	Dorchester to Milton....	1	36 " 0 "

Table showing Width of Openings, etc. — *Concluded.*

NAME OF BRIDGE.	Location.	Number of Openings.	Width.
Harvard (Boston side).....	Boston to Cambridge....	2	36 feet 6 inches
“ (Cambridge side).....	“ “ ....	..	36 “ 10 “
L street.....	Over Reserved channel, South Boston.....	1	40 “ 0 “
Malden.....	Charlestown to Everett..	1	43 “ 2 “
Meridian st. (East Boston side),	East Boston to Chelsea..	2	59 “ 2 “
“ (Chelsea side).....	“ “ ..	59	“ 0 “
Mt. Washington avenue (Bos- ton side).....	Over Fort Point channel	2	42 “ 3 “
Mt. Washington avenue (South Boston side).....	“ “ ..	42	“ 3 “
Neponset.....	Dorchester to Quincy...	1	36 “ 0 “
New England R.R. (Boston side),	Over Fort Point channel	2	41 “ 8 “
New England R.R. (South Bos- ton side).....	“ “ ..	40	“ 8 “
New England R.R.....	Over South Bay.....	1	28 “ 4 “
North Beacon street.....	Brighton to Watertown..	1	30 “ 2 “
North Harvard street.....	Brighton to Cambridge..	1	36 “ 0 “
New York, New Haven & Hart- ford R.R.....	Over Fort Point channel	1	36 “ 4 “
New York, New Haven & Hart- ford R.R.....	Dorchester to Quincy...	1	36 “ 0 “
Prison point.....	Charlestown to Cam- bridge.....	1	36 “ 0 “
Warren.....	Boston to Charlestown..	1	36 “ 0 “
West Boston (Boston side)....	Boston to Cambridge....	2	35 “ 6 “
“ (Cambridge side). ..	“ “ ....	..	36 “ 6 “
Western avenue.....	Brighton to Cambridge..	1	36 “ 0 “
“	Brighton to Watertown..	1	35 “ 10 “

Table showing Width of Bridges, kind of Roadways, Sidewalks, etc., on Tide-water Bridges, Jan. 31, 1897.

NAME OF BRIDGE.	Width of Bridge.	ROADWAY.		SIDEWALKS.	
		Width.	Kind of roadway.	No.	Kind of walks.
	<i>Ft. In.</i>	<i>Ft. In.</i>			<i>Ft. In.</i>
Broadway	60 0	40 0	Plank	2	10 0 Coal-tar concrete.
Cambridge street.....	40 0	32 2	“	1	6 0 Plank.
Canal	64 0	48 0	Paved	2	8 0 Brick.
Charles river.....	50 0	34 0	“	2	8 0 “
Chelsea, North.....	49 0	40 0	“	1	8 0 Coal-tar concrete and plank.
“ South.....	50 3	41 2	“	1	8 0 Plank.
“ street.....	30 0	23 2	Plank	1	6 0 “
Commercial point....	about 34 0	about 27 0	“	0	
Congress street.....	60 0	44 0	Paved	2	8 0 Coal-tar concrete.
Dover st. (over water)	60 0	40 0	“	2	10 0 Asphalt.
Essex street.....	31 0	22 8	Plank	1	7 6 Plank.
Federal street.....	69 0	49 0	Paved	2	10 0 Asphalt.
Granite.....	30 2	24 4	Plank	1	5 0 Plank.
Harvard.....	69 4	51 0	“	2	9 2 Asphalt.
L street	60 0	44 0	Paved	2	8 0 “
Malden	40 0	32 0	“	1	7 0 Coal-tar concrete.
Meridian street.....	50 0	36 0	“	2	7 0 “ “
Mt. Washington ave..	61 0	39 6	“	2	10 9 “ “
Neponset	30 0	23 10	Plank	1	5 5 Plank.
North Reacon street...	31 0	25 2	“	1	5 0 “
North Harvard street..	28 2	26 7	“	0	
Prison Point.....	50 0	36 0	{ Plank part } { Paved part }	2	7 0 Coal-tar concrete.
Warren.....	80 0	60 0	Paved	2	10 0 “ “
Western ave. to Cambridge	33 2	26 3	Plank	1	6 0 Plank.
Western ave. to Watertown	33 0	24 2	“	1	8 0 “
Winthrop	24 2	19 10	“	1	3 7 “
West Boston.....	50 0	36 0	Paved	2	7 0 Brick.

DRAW-TENDERS' REPORTS.¹

Giving the Number of Vessels passing through the Drawbridges controlled by the City of Boston during the Years 1892, 1893, 1894, 1895 and 1896.

NAME OF BRIDGE.	STEAMERS.					SAILING VESSELS.					TUGS.					ALL OTHERS.					TOTAL NUMBER OF VESSELS.					TOTALS. Feb. 1, 1892, to Feb. 1, 1897.
	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	
Broadway	8	8	6	16	22	3,118	2,959	2,800	3,115	3,082	1,709	1,840	1,935	2,279	2,358	626	664	795	816	890	5,401	5,471	5,536	6,226	6,352	29,046
Cambridge street..	...	...	...	...	...	236	149	109	150	133	733	608	523	599	572	269	186	205	181	217	1,238	943	837	930	922	4,870
Charles river.....	29	30	34	45	39	2,800	2,690	2,503	2,815	2,857	2,834	3,175	2,942	3,641	4,121	2,010	2,352	2,271	2,492	2,534	7,093	8,247	7,750	8,993	9,551	42,234
Chelsea (North)....	35	57	66	115	159	717	898	1,141	995	1,169	2,899	3,422	3,841	4,662	4,373	1,205	1,697	1,631	2,383	2,229	4,856	6,074	6,679	8,155	7,930	33,694
Chelsea (South)....	85	80	51	31	39	1,037	1,130	850	847	1,260	2,923	2,540	1,810	2,275	2,748	986	1,328	1,083	984	914	5,931	5,078	3,794	4,137	4,961	23,001
Chelsea street.....	...	...	...	...	...	4	14	57	24	30	36	35	159	105	163	14	20	116	41	105	54	69	338	170	304	935
Commercial Point.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	1	...	...	4	...	2	...	...	6
Congress street....	238	361	277	383	292	4,896	4,671	4,080	4,174	4,294	7,647	7,411	7,626	7,886	8,347	2,834	2,694	2,850	2,838	3,059	15,675	15,137	14,833	15,281	15,962	76,888
Dover street.....	10	6	6	16	20	2,537	2,415	2,355	2,894	2,871	1,505	1,574	1,557	1,999	2,146	544	618	711	712	741	4,616	4,613	4,629	5,621	5,778	25,257
Essex street.....	13	23	4	...	4	247	180	134	158	238	704	717	639	721	685	287	218	244	242	295	1,251	1,138	1,021	1,121	1,222	5,753
Federal street.....	10	9	6	16	17	3,295	3,199	3,017	3,366	3,393	2,044	2,231	2,261	2,666	2,941	646	703	816	848	1,083	5,995	6,142	6,100	6,896	7,434	32,567

Draw=Tenders' Reports. — *Concluded.*

NAME OF BRIDGE.	STEAMERS.					SAILING VESSELS.					TUGS.					ALL OTHERS.					TOTAL NUMBER OF VESSELS.					TOTALS.
	1899	1898	1897	1896	1895	1899	1898	1897	1896	1895	1899	1898	1897	1896	1895	1899	1898	1897	1896	1895	1894	1893	1892	1891	Feb. 1, 1892, to Feb. 1, 1897.	
Granite street.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	91	109	82	126	64	184	287	220	306	240	19	24	37	41	55	294	370	339	359	1,835
L street.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15,206
Malden	3	5	8	2	4	215	260	360	273	352	979	1,107	1,226	1,619	1,384	473	478	574	1,236	961	1,670	1,850	2,168	3,130	11,519	
Meridian street....	74	44	47	58	51	851	771	846	818	653	3,351	3,736	4,030	4,046	4,391	1,432	1,746	2,088	2,031	1,954	5,708	6,297	7,011	6,953	33,018	
Mt. Washington avenue.....	70	79	87	69	88	3,923	3,822	3,432	3,699	3,700	5,094	4,741	4,782	5,119	5,426	2,199	2,089	2,246	2,229	2,304	11,286	10,731	10,547	11,116	55,198	
Neponset .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	193	131	105	148	68	198	244	224	306	250	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,043
No. Beacon street.	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	2	.....	.....	6
No. Harvard street	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	54	64	96	92	272	131	168	224	279	39	36	36	35	72	431	221	268	355	1,718
Warren	17	7	63	47	42	2,796	2,655	2,081	2,312	2,320	1,940	1,983	2,124	2,588	3,007	1,470	1,520	1,699	2,007	2,143	6,223	6,165	5,967	6,954	32,821	
Western avenue to Cambridge .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	211	132	95	115	114	619	481	426	485	451	228	137	153	136	158	1,068	750	676	736	3,943
Watertown avenue to Watertown ...	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	12	6	7	.....	36	15	18	28	7	102	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	38	55	14	318
Totals.....	654	710	667	800	801	27,319	26,245	24,797	26,666	27,424	35,709	36,282	39,275	44,665	46,540	15,285	16,555	19,151	21,434	20,947	78,967	79,742	83,890	93,565	431,876	

¹ West Boston, Prison Point, Canal (or Cragie's) and Harvard Bridges not included in these tables, being in the care of commissioners representing the two cities (Boston and Cambridge) connected by these bridges.

APPENDIX B.

REPORT OF DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF FERRY
DIVISION.

NORTH FERRY, EAST BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1897.

Mr. BENJ. W. WELLS, *Superintendent of Streets* :

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit the annual report of the expenditures, income, and operations of the Ferry Division of the Street Department for the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1897.

Respectfully yours,

WILLIAM F. McCLELLAN,
Deputy Superintendent.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

REGULAR APPROPRIATIONS.

Appropriation for year ending Jan. 31, 1897		\$218,000 00
Transfers for an illuminated clock at North Ferry, Boston side, viz.:		
From special appropriation for awning	\$257 06	
From special appropriation for South Drop, South Ferry, Boston side	96 09	353 15
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Total appropriation		\$218,353 15
Amount of expenditures	\$217,999 95	
Amount for illuminated clock at North Ferry	353 15	
Amount transferred to Street Cleaning Division	05	
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		<u>\$218,353 15</u>

OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE.

Salaries and wages, running expenses	\$130,091 68
Salaries and wages, repairs	16,172 74
Fuel	29,803 55
Current expenses	19,028 49
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Carried forward,	\$195,096 46

<i>Brought forward,</i>	\$195,096 46
Supplies for running expenses	5,696 80
Supplies for repairs	3,996 77
Repairs on boats	9,232 76
Repairs on buildings, piers and drops	3,226 05
Tools and fixtures	956 76
Incidental expenditures	102 50
Damages to persons and property	45 00
Transfer to Street Cleaning Division	05
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	\$218,353 15
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Appropriation for awning at North Ferry, East Boston	\$1,000 00	
Less amount transferred to regular appropriation for illuminated clock	257 06	
	<hr/>	\$742 94
Appropriation authorized for new ferry landing	\$500,000 00	
Amount issued		30,000 00
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Total available special appropriations		\$30,742 94
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OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE.

Special Appropriations.

Awning at North Ferry, East Boston	\$742 94
John M. Brooks, contract for building two tanks for drops	3,500 00
William McKie, contract for building one ferry drop	4,165 00
William McKie, contract for building second ferry drop	4,122 50
W. H. Ellis & Co., contract for repairing middle pier, Boston landing, South Ferry	1,802 15
Charles I. Albee, contract for one special hoisting motor, with all appliances for hauling teams up ferry drop	838 00
Sundry bills	7,533 96
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Total expenditures, special appropriations	\$22,704 55
Balance unexpended	8,038 39
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	\$30,742 94
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Total appropriations	\$218,353 15	
	30,742 94	
	<hr/>	\$249,096 09
Total expenditures		241,057 70
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Balance unexpended of special appropriations		\$8,038 39
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INCOME.

Cash Receipts from Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897.

At office of City Collector:		
For rent		\$2,572 00
re-imbursed damages		700 00
free ferries July 4, 1896		25 00
sales of foot-passes		432 00
“ “ team tickets		77 50
At Ferry Division office:		
For old material sold		37 85
For sales of foot-passes		856 70
For sales of team tickets		533 00
From Tollmen:		
For 11,703,349 foot-passengers at 1c.		117,033 49
team tickets		27,442 00
From Gatemen:		
For 248,080 foot-passengers at 1c.		2,480 80
teams		14,889 18
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Total receipts for the year		\$167,079 52
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STATEMENT SHOWING RECEIPTS AT EACH FERRY.

North Ferry.

	From Tollmen.	Foot-passengers, at 1 cent.	Team Tickets.	Total.
No. 2.....		\$11,813 05	\$1,807 00	\$13,620 05
“ 3.....		11,401 27	1,891 50	13,292 77
“ 5.....		11,798 21	2,069 00	13,867 21
“ 6.....		11,359 45	1,777 50	13,136 95
“ 9.....		11,722 71	1,902 00	13,624 71
“ 10.....		11,797 16	1,812 50	13,609 66
“ 13.....		12,399 88	1,652 00	14,051 88
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		\$82,291 73	\$12,911 50	\$95,203 23

From Gatemen:		
For 141,516 foot-passengers at 1c.	\$1,415 16	
For teams	5,792 36	
	<hr/>	\$7,207 52
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Total at North Ferry		\$102,410 75

South Ferry.

From Tollmen.	Foot-passengers, at 1 cent.	Team Tickets.	Total.
No. 1.....	\$8,127 56	\$3,423 00	\$11,550 56
" 4	7,920 18	3,401 00	11,321 18
" 7.....	8,386 82	3,653 50	12,040 32
" 8.....	8,049 66	3,686 00	11,735 66
" 11.....	1,012 80	94 50	1,107 30
" 12.....	1,244 74	272 50	1,517 24
	<u>\$34,741 76</u>	<u>\$14,530 50</u>	<u>\$49,272 26</u>

From Gatemen :

For 106,564 foot-passengers, at 1c. . \$1,065 64

For teams 9,096 82

\$10,162 46Total at South Ferry \$59,434 72

North and South Ferries, as above . . . \$161,845 47

Tickets at office of City Collector . . . 509 50

Tickets at office of Ferry Division . . . 1,389 70

Rent 2,572 00

Damages, old material and free ferries, July 4 . 762 85

Total receipts for year 1896 . . . \$167,079 52

CASH STATEMENT.

*From Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897.**Dr.*To cash received \$167,079 52*Cr.*

By amount paid City Collector . \$167,056 74

By amount rejected money . . 11 39

By balance on hand . . . 11 39

\$167,079 52

STATEMENT OF THE RECEIPTS.

*From April 1, 1870 (date of purchase by the City of Boston
of the East Boston Ferries), to Feb. 1, 1897.*

Cash received for tolls from April

1, 1870, to Feb. 1, 1893 . . . \$3,779,486 03

Carried forward, \$3,779,486 03

<i>Brought forward,</i>	3,779,486 03	
Cash received for tolls from Feb. 1, 1893, to Feb. 1, 1894 . . .	149,388 61	
Cash received for tolls from Feb. 1, 1894, to Feb. 1, 1895 . . .	152,950 04	
Cash received for tolls from Feb. 1, 1895, to Feb. 1, 1896 . . .	166,307 33	
Cash received for tolls from Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897 . . .	163,769 67	
	<hr/>	\$4,411,901 68
Cash received for rent . . .	\$42,371 30	
Cash received for old boats . . .	15,246 71	
Cash received for old material, etc.	9,061 98	
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Total receipts for 26 years 10 months . . .		<u>\$4,478,581 67</u>

CASH STATEMENT.

*From April 1, 1870, to Jan. 31, 1897.**Dr.*

To receipts from all sources	<u>\$4,478,581 67</u>
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Cr.

By amount paid City Collector . . .	\$4,477,897 97	
By cash with tollmen and gate-men as capital	608 00	
By counterfeit and rejected money in 26 years and 10 months . . .	64 31	
By balance on hand	11 39	
	<hr/>	<u>\$4,478,581 67</u>

EXPENDITURES.

From March 4, 1857, to April 1, 1870.

Amount charged to the East Boston ferries by Auditor previous to purchase:

For avenues . . .	\$250,000 00	
For repairs . . .	65,815 68	
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For ferry property, purchased April 1, 1870	276,375 00	
	<hr/>	\$592,190 68
From April 1, 1870, to Feb. 1, 1893,	\$5,214,551 71	
From Feb. 1, 1893, to Feb. 1, 1894,	249,370 65	
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<i>Carried forward,</i>	\$5,463,922 36	\$592,190 68

<i>Brought forward,</i>	5,463,922 36	\$592,190 68
From Feb. 1, 1894, to Feb. 1, 1895,	224,441 04	
From Feb. 1, 1895, to Feb. 1, 1896,	221,813 94	
From Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897,	241,057 70	
	<hr/>	6,151,235 04
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		\$6,743,425 72

DEDUCT.

Amount paid to City Treasury	4,477,897 97
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Net cost of ferries to city to date, not including interest on loans	\$2,265,527 75
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STATEMENT SHOWING THE ACTUAL STANDING OF FERRY
DIVISION, STREET DEPARTMENT, WITH THE CITY OF BOSTON,
FEB. 1, 1897.

Dr.

Amount paid previous to April 1, 1870	\$592,190 68
Amount paid from April 1, 1870, to Feb. 1, 1897, as follows:	
Seven new ferry steamers	371,956 04
New piers, buildings and drops	379,818 35
Fuel	916,232 60
Repairs of all kinds	664,539 28
Salaries and wages	2,939,147 12
Tools and fixtures	12,877 44
Land from Lincoln wharf in 1887	5,562 52
Land from Battery wharf in 1893	10,000 00
All other expenses	851,101 69
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	\$6,743,425 72
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By amount paid the city for income	\$4,477,897 97
“ amount charged to ferry property for avenues that were laid out as streets, August, 1880, and which should be credited to this division,	250,000 00
“ paving avenues	11,530 84
“ amount received for rents previous to Jan. 1, 1881, by Department of Public Buildings, and should be credited to this division . .	60,277 56
“ estimated value of seven ferry steamers	\$188,175 53
“ less 6 per cent for depreciation,	11,290 53
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	176,885 00
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<i>Carried forward,</i>	4,976,591 37

<i>Brought forward,</i>		\$4,976,591 37
By estimated value of real estate and franchise as per last re- port	\$627,600 00	
“ added for improvement during year	21,900 00	
		649,500 00
“ value of awning, North ferry, East Boston . .		742 94
“ new ferry landing, not yet charged off . .		61 61
“ land from Lincoln wharf		5,562 52
“ land from Battery wharf		10,000 00
“ estimated value of tools and fixtures . .		6,000 00
“ estimated value of fuel on hand		5,798 52
“ estimated value of supplies for maintenance .		361 91
“ estimated value of supplies for repairs . .		3,092 90
“ amount expended on Eastern-avenue wharf .		1,499 46
“ cash with employees as capital		608 00
“ cash on hand		11 39
“ transfer to Street-Cleaning Division . .		05
“ profit and loss for 26 years 10 months . .		1,083,595 05
		<u>\$6,743,425 72</u>

STATEMENT SHOWING THE DIFFERENCE OF TRAVEL ON THE
FERRIES FROM FEB. 1, 1896, TO FEB. 1, 1897.

	<i>North.</i>	<i>South.</i>
Foot passengers, at 1 cent each . .	8,229,173	3,474,176
Foot passengers by ticket . .	82,871	47,267
	<u>8,312,044</u>	<u>3,521,443</u>
One-horse teams	218,078	203,144
Two-horse teams	76,254	122,600
Three-horse teams	3,403	4,547
Four-horse teams	4,623	9,165
Two-horse carriages and hacks . .	5,238	2,672
Two-cent toll (at gate) handcars, etc.	4,175	4,146
Four-cent toll	118,729	188,527
Six-cent toll	3,608	4,781
Seven-cent toll	2	3
Eight-cent toll	7,865	12,587
Ten-cent toll	454	886
Thirteen-cent toll	471	643
Fifteen-cent toll	31	28
Twenty-cent toll	1	—
Thirty-cent toll	8	8
Free teams	3,824	1,407
Free foot	32,086	910

Total Travel on both Ferries from Jan. 1, 1891, to Feb. 1, 1897.

	(13 mos.) 1891.	From Feb. 1, 1892, to Feb. 1, 1893.	From Feb. 1, 1893, to Feb. 1, 1894.	From Feb. 1, 1894, to Feb. 1, 1895.	From Feb. 1, 1895, to Feb. 1, 1896.
One-horse teams.....	727,170	689,978	665,967	690,427	676,294
Two-horse teams.....	228,287	219,354	202,323	204,667	248,291
Three-horse teams.....	4,639	6,547	7,573	6,242	9,095
Four-horse teams.....	14,273	13,180	16,641	14,503	16,939
Two-horse carriages and hacks,	19,189	17,598	16,340	16,236	10,349
Two-cent tolls for hand-carts, etc.....	7,196	6,632	6,259	5,726	7,059
Drag-wheels, etc.....	62	85	88	57	101
Foot-passengers	11,686,505	11,095,832	10,988,027	11,281,321	11,929,790

From Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897.

Foot passengers, at 1 cent each, toll and gate and ticket	12,081,567
Two-cent tolls	8,321
Four-cent tolls	307,256
Six-cent tolls	8,389
Seven-cent tolls	5
Eight-cent tolls	20,452
Ten-cent tolls	1,340
Thirteen-cent tolls	1,114
Fifteen-cent tolls	59
Twenty-cent tolls.	1
Thirty-cent tolls	16
One-horse pleasure carriages	61,170
Two-horse pleasure carriages	7,910
One-horse teams	365,052
Two-horse teams	198,854
Three-horse teams	7,950
Four-horse teams	13,788
Free teams	5,231
Free foot	32,996

TICKET STATEMENT.

Foot-passes outstanding Feb. 1, 1896	187,777
Foot-passes sold during the year	128,870
Foot-passes delivered on requisitions to other divisions	7,200
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Received and destroyed during this year	323,847
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Outstanding Feb. 1, 1897	130,138
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	193,709

Team Tickets.

	1-Horse.	2-Horse.	3-Horse.	4-Horse.
Outstanding Feb. 1, 1896.....	51,533	30,135	1,986	4,344
Sold during the year.....	367,888	199,968	7,974	14,380
Delivered on requisitions....	2,080	304		
	421,501	230,407	9,960	18,724
Received and destroyed during the year.....	365,052	198,854	7,950	13,788
Outstanding Feb. 1, 1897.....	56,449	31,553	2,010	4,936

Pleasure Carriage Tickets.

	1-Horse.	2-Horse.
Outstanding Feb. 1, 1896.....	14,129	2,828
Sold during the year.....	62,500	7,860
Delivered on requisitions.....	760	
	77,389	10,688
Received and destroyed during the year.....	61,170	7,910
Outstanding Feb. 1, 1897.....	16,219	2,778

APPENDIX C.

REPORT OF DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF
PAVING DIVISION.

ROOM 44, CITY HALL, BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1897.

MR. BENJ. W. WELLS, *Superintendent of Streets*:

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit my annual report of the expenditures and income of the Paving Division of the Street Department for the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1897, showing the nature of the work, the number and variety of permits issued, and the details of expenditures involved in paving, macadamizing, and regulating the various streets.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN L. KELLY,

Deputy Superintendent.

The following table shows the amount expended for maintenance of the Paving Division and from special appropriations derived from loans for the last six (6) years, not including the cost of street-watering, to be found on another page:—

	Maintenance.	Specials.	Totals.
1891 (13 months) ..	\$872,936 40	\$1,014,324 26	\$1,887,260 66
1892.....	915,460 99	962,889 09	1,878,350 08
1893.....	745,681 52	707,801 49	1,453,483 01
1894.....	715,608 62	839,713 78	1,555,322 40
1895.....	683,899 42	823,011 70	1,506,911 12
1896.....	628,675 46	1,755,176 71	2,383,852 17

There was appropriated for the maintenance of this division during the year the sum of \$630,000.

The large amount of money expended under special appropriations in 1896 was due to the construction of the street surfaces on the boulevards, a large part of which was done this year.

The Paving Division has charge of the following work:—

The maintenance of street surfaces and sidewalks.

The placing of street signs.

The numbering of buildings.

The issuing of permits to open or occupy the streets, or for such other purpose as may be required under the ordinances.

The removal of snow and ice from the streets, gutters and plank walks.

The cleaning of streets in the outlying sections of the city not covered by the Street-Cleaning Division.

The division is in charge of a deputy superintendent, with office in City Hall, and with a clerical force under the direction of a chief clerk.

The outdoor working force of the division is divided into ten districts, each in charge of a foreman, as follows :—

- No. 1, South Boston.
- No. 2, East Boston.
- No. 3, Charlestown.
- No. 4, Brighton.
- No. 5, West Roxbury.
- No. 6, Dorchester.
- No. 7, Roxbury.
- Nos. 8, 9, 10, City Proper.

The Permit Office is an important branch of the work of the division, and is in charge of a clerk, the outdoor force of inspectors being under a Superintendent of Inspectors. During the past year 11,239 permits for street openings were issued, and 229 $\frac{7}{10}$ miles of trench opened. The importance of the work of this office can be readily seen from the fact that dependent on its vigilance is the proper maintenance of the surfaces of streets where openings have been made. In case of trench openings, an inspector is assigned on the work, and his time charged to the corporation. Service and repair openings are regularly inspected, and, in case of settlement or improper paving, the companies are notified; and if work is not properly attended to, the department replaces the pavement, and a bill is sent to the company responsible for the defect.

The inspectors also look after the permits for the occupancy of streets for building purposes, and see to it that proper fences and walks are placed as called for by the permit.

In addition to street permits, there were issued by this division permits for various other purposes to the number of 16,882.

No opening in the street can be made except by permit. These permits are collected by the police, and returned to the office. A change was instituted this year in the method of returning emergency permits. Formerly, in case of gas leak, water break or other causes requiring immediate action, the companies were allowed to make the opening, showing a general emergency permit to the police, and making their own returns to the office. This year a form of emergency permit was issued, for which the companies pay, and, in case of opening, give up to the police a permit with date and location filled in by themselves. In this way, the openings are better regulated, and there is no possibility of a street being disturbed without authority.

The work of placing street signs has this year been very considerably increased from the fact that, owing to the redistricting

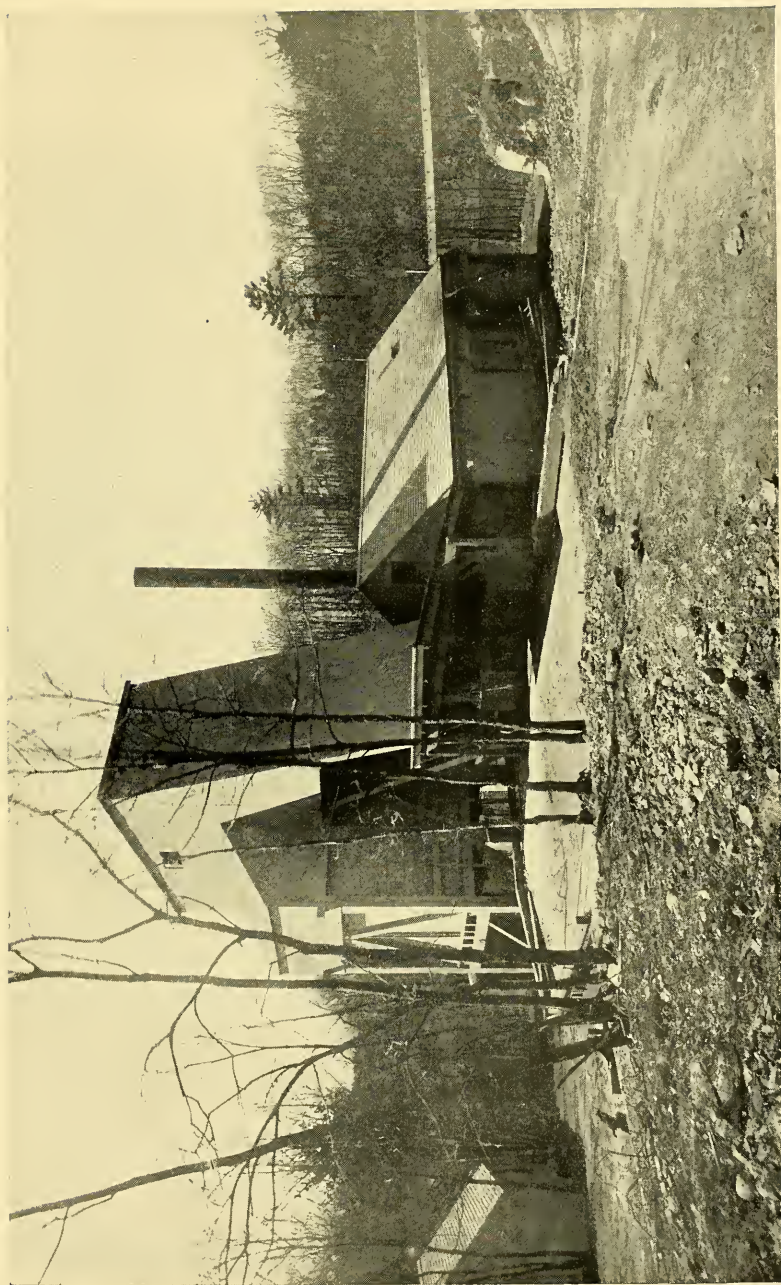
of the city wards, many of the signs bearing the ward numbers required to be changed.

The cost of the removal of snow and ice is charged to the regular maintenance appropriation. I believe it would be advisable that a separate appropriation be made for this work, so that a comparison made from year to year of the cost of the maintenance of the streets would have some value. Under the present system, a comparison of figures is of little value, as the item for the removal of snow may vary many thousands of dollars from one year to another.

At the present time the department is running with a smaller appropriation for maintenance than at any time since the consolidated department was organized, although there is a greater amount of streets to be cared for. The practice of appropriating \$25,000 for each ward for so-called ward improvements — meaning work of a more or less permanent nature — is in some respects an improper one, for the reason that, without regard to the size or character of the ward, the amount appropriated is the same; and with the small maintenance appropriation and the large amount of work oftentimes to be done in one ward with \$25,000, it is not possible to do the work in the most thorough and economical manner. Macadam streets, in districts where conditions have so changed that the maintenance of a macadam roadway is exceedingly expensive, are reconstructed of the same material, for the reason that sufficient funds for granite or asphalt paving are not available. Thus the cost in a series of years is excessive.

A large loan should be authorized for thoroughly repaving certain sections of the city, and the tax-payers would be the great gainers in the end. In cities where the residential portions are almost exclusively asphalted, the maintenance cost is comparatively small; whereas in Boston, the residential sections of the city, even to the very edge of the downtown district being macadam, the condition is always more or less unsatisfactory, and the expense of maintenance comparatively enormous. If the ordinances were enforced with regard to heavy loads on teams, and the wagons were compelled to have a broader tire, the life of our macadam roads would be somewhat longer.

Great attention has been given this year to the stone-crushing plants, and two new ones have been established and paid for out of the regular maintenance money. This is an important feature of the Paving Division work, and from the city crushers nearly all the stone required on the streets is furnished. This insures a good quality of stone at a reasonable price, and makes it possible to maintain the labor of the division on a permanent basis, as in winter a large portion of the force can be worked in the ledges and are immediately available for snow and street-cleaning work. The labor force of the division for the year 1896 has been in the neighborhood of 900 men constantly employed.



CENTRE-STREET CRUSHER—WEST ROXBURY.

Certain of the stables are in need of repairs and additions, as a larger proportion of the teaming might be done with city teams if accommodations were provided for the horses.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

REGULAR APPROPRIATION.

Appropriation for 1896-97		\$630,000 00
Amount collected by City Collector for repairs made by Paving Division for different com- panies, etc.		2,472 85
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		\$632,472 85
Amount of expenditures from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897,	\$628,675 46	
Transferred to Street Cleaning Division	2,961 85	
Transferred to Boston and Cam- bridge bridges	835 54	
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		\$632,472 85

Objects of Expenditure from the Regular Appropriation, Classified by Districts, from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.

DISTRICTS.	Repairs.	Snow.	Edgesones, Sidewalks, and Crossings.	Fences and Plank-walks.	A. Miscellaneous.	B. Executions of Court.	C. In Excess of Special Appropriation.	D. New Work.	Total.
1. South Boston.....	\$10,287 23	\$6,087 75	\$7,377 59	\$1,635 52	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$25,388 09
2. East Boston.....	13,132 89	4,222 30	5,001 92	357 39	.....	.....	\$856 70	.....	23,571 20
3. Charlestown.....	11,149 01	6,301 40	3,909 27	546 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	21,905 79
4. Brighton.....	56,019 66	1,106 00	2,613 91	777 62	.....	.....	18,678 69	.....	79,195 88
5. West Roxbury.....	44,579 47	6,604 30	1,730 34	1,631 32	.....	.....	5,080 75	.....	59,626 18
6. Dorchester.....	75,842 35	4,464 80	10,711 25	1,494 26	.....	.....	219 36	.....	92,732 02
7. Roxbury.....	66,509 42	5,816 23	15,552 07	2,296 68	.....	.....	2,026 03	.....	92,200 43
8, 9, 10. City proper..	69,685 52	34,138 29	19,315 67	2,358 69	.....	.....	9,586 42	\$4,822 69	139,907 28
					\$93,606 68	.....	.....	.....	93,606 68
Totals.....	\$347,205 55	\$68,741 07	\$66,212 02	\$11,097 59	\$93,606 68	\$541 91	\$36,447 95	\$4,822 69	\$628,675 46

A. See Schedule A for items. B. See Schedule B for items.

C. This schedule shows amount of money spent in excess of the special appropriation, and taken from the maintenance appropriation; for items, see Schedule C and Special Appropriations.

D. This schedule shows street where the repairs have exceeded \$2,000; for items, see Schedule D.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS, PAVING AND STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Amounts of balances 1895-96, less		
transfers	\$328,437	53
Amount of appropriations, 1896-97	869,690	40
	<hr/>	\$1,198,127 93
Amount of expenditures		877,095 90
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Balance unexpended		<u>\$321,032 03</u>

TOTAL EXPENDITURES.

Maintenance appropriation	\$628,675	46
Special appropriations	877,095	90
Laying out and construction of highways	174,961	88
Blue Hill and other avenues	703,118	93
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Grand total	<u>\$2,383,852</u>	<u>17</u>

INCOME.

Statement showing the amount of bills deposited with the City Collector from Feb. 1, 1896, on account of the Paving Division:

Edgestone and sidewalk assessments	\$14,348	33
Miscellaneous	2,615	85
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	<u>\$16,964</u>	<u>18</u>

The amount paid into the city treasury during the year on account of the Paving Division is as follows:

Sidewalk construction assessments (law of 1892),	\$38,256	89
Edgestone and sidewalk assessments (law of 1893),	\$14,127	46
Miscellaneous	\$2,615	85
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	<u>\$55,000</u>	<u>20</u>

SCHEDULE A.

EXPENDITURES. (Details.)

Salaries of Paving Division office, Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897	\$13,348 74
Salaries of Permit Office, Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897	16,772 56
Salaries of engineers, Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897	2,878 38
Advertising in and subscribing for daily papers	421 21
Horses, carts and harnesses	8,330 36
Printing and stationery	2,518 54
Repairing stables, sheds, etc.	3,249 20
Stock and supplies not included elsewhere	6,863 79
Sundries	11,008 61
Street signs and numbering	718 59
Telephones, expenses of	1,702 08
Tools, cost of keeping the same in repair, etc.	11,871 36
Construction of Centre-street crusher	7,976 38
Construction of Bleiler's crusher	5,946 88
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	\$93,606 68

SCHEDULE B.

EXECUTIONS OF COURT, ETC.

Bennett, William H., settlement of claim	\$41 91
Casey, Michael, personal injuries	125 00
Clarke, Cordelia B., personal injuries	350 00
White, Sophie E., personal injuries	25 00
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	\$541 91

SCHEDULE C.

The following schedule shows the expenditure from the maintenance appropriation of this division in excess of special appropriations :

Bennington and Walley streets.

In excess of special appropriation \$856 70

Bigelow street, between Faneuil and Brooks streets.

In excess of special appropriation 6,356 36

Washington street, between Fairbanks street and Oak square.

In excess of special appropriation 10,485 53

Carried forward \$17,698 59

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$17,698 59
Elmira street , between Murdock and Aetna streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	696 30
Leicester street , between Washington and Surrey streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	488 40
Rockland street , between Washington and Chestnut Hill avenue.	
In excess of special appropriation	652 10
Canterbury street.	
In excess of special appropriation	613 50
Center street , between Spring street and Dedham line	
In excess of special appropriation	1,299 07
Howland street , entire length.	
In excess of special appropriation	995 56
Sycamore street.	
In excess of special appropriation	245 90
Walk Hill street , Harvard street to Mt. Hope Cemetery.	
In excess of special appropriation	139 20
Corey street between Weld and Montview streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	229 07
Lamartine street , between Green and Paul Gore streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	55 13
Boylston street , between Washington street to Boylston avenue.	
In excess of special appropriation	285 29
Creighton street.	
In excess of special appropriation	454 17
Weld street , between Arnold and Ruskin streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	763 86
Norfolk street , between Elizabeth and Walk Hill streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	219 36
Island street.	
In excess of special appropriation	536 53
Massachusetts avenue , between Swett and Albany streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	186 58
<i>Carried forward</i>	<hr/> \$25,558 61

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$25,558 61
Eustis street.	
In excess of special appropriation	537 74
Magazine street.	
In excess of special appropriation	137 31
Fellows street.	
In excess of special appropriation	107 00
Sherman street.	
In excess of special appropriation	246 52
Howland street.	
In excess of special appropriation	274 35
St. Botolph street, Irvington street and Massachusetts avenue.	
In excess of special appropriation	1,613 25
Boylston and Exeter streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	4,460 55
Beacon street, Massachusetts avenue to Commonwealth avenue.	
In excess of special appropriation	1,936 88
Brookline avenue.	
In excess of special appropriation	173 36
Arlington street, between Boylston and Marlboro streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	165 24
Dartmouth street, between Copley square and New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad	
In excess of special appropriation	159 67
Berkeley street, between Boylston and Beacon streets.	
In excess of special appropriation	903 64
Yarmouth street.	
In excess of special appropriation	173 83
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	<u>\$36,447 95</u>

SCHEDULE D.

NEW WORK.

Clarendon street, Boylston street to Beacon street, macadamized, edgestones reset, sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid, gutters repaved.	
Labor	\$1,202 90
Teaming	1,261 50
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$2,464 40

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,464 40
Steam roller	200 00
Flagging	163 28
Gravel and sand	238 06
Stone	1,756 65
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	\$8,422 69
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DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES MADE UNDER SPECIAL
APPROPRIATIONS.

Bennington and Walley streets, filled, plank sidewalks laid.

Labor	\$2,419 04
Teaming	1,347 00
Filling	7,876 80
Gravel	1,568 93
Lumber	233 30
Nails	17 61
Advertising	7 20
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	\$13,469 88

Amount of appropriation for Benning-
ton and Walley streets . . . \$11,924 90

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
ments, Ward 1 688 28

Amount paid out of Paving Division . . . 856 70

\$13,469 88

Centre street, Dorchester, reconstruction (work unfinished).

Labor	\$545 10
Teaming	316 00
Advertising	6 00
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	\$867 10
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Columbus avenue, Massachusetts avenue to Northampton street, asphalted. Area 1,327 square yards.

Labor	\$1,179 90
Teaming	358 00
Gravel	175 10
Sand	480 40
Paving	151 14

Amount paid to J. J. Sullivan :

3,624 square yards excavation, at 25 cents . . . 906 00

Amount paid to Barber Asphalt Paving Co. :

1,327.4 square yards asphalt, at \$2.90 . . . 3,849 46

\$7,100 00

Amount of special appropriation \$7,100 00

Commonwealth avenue, construction.

Labor, including engineering and inspection.	\$14,094 80
Teaming	16,848 50
Stone	30,086 09
Gravel	5,933 00
Filling	774 50
Loam	5,859 60
85,315 gutter blocks	3,369 94
250 feet flagging	145 74
682 4-12 feet straight edgestone	423 16
340 7-12 feet circular edgestone	442 76
23 large corners	128 80
Carting edgestone	13 40
Fuel	757 61
Lumber	433 24
Hardware, nails, hammers and shovels	134 67
Steam drills	123 79
Repairing engine and boiler	289 81
Metal coating	87 50
Oil	123 44
Water for crusher	26 60
Repairing crusher platform	60 00
Executions of Court	14,631 69
Steam rolling	1,637 00
Planing machine	120 00
Use of engine	39 75
Watering cart	100 00
Sundries	70 36

Amount paid to James Grant & Co.:

603 square yards block paving laid	\$150 75
1,894 square yards barrel paving laid	662 90
892 feet edgestone set	71 36
23 square yards crossings laid	5 75

 \$890 76

Less 9 days' use of steam roller, at \$15.00 135 00

 755 76

	\$97,511 51
Work done by Bridge Division	32,732 90
Work done by Sewer Division	226 92

 \$130,471 33

Congress and L streets.

Work done by the Sewer Division	\$7,608 17
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Eleanor and Ridgemont streets, Ward 25, resurfaced, sidewalks built.

Labor	\$98 10
Advertising	12 75

\$110 85

Elmira street, Ward 25, graded and macadamized. Length, 340 feet; area, 982 square yards.

Labor	\$440 60
Teaming	148 00
Filling	291 00
Gravel	113 90
Advertising	6 50
Stone	696 30

\$1,696 30

Amount of appropriation for Elmira

street \$1,000 00

Amount paid out of Paving Division . 696 30

\$1,696 30

Franklin street, Ward 25 (work unfinished).

Labor	\$73 60
Teaming	12 00
Advertising	13 88

\$99 48

Hanover street, between Charter and Tileston streets, asphalted, area, 923 square yards.

Length, 315 feet.

Labor	\$946 75
Teaming	585 00
Gravel and sand	190 88
75 ft. edgestone and 2 small corners	53 20
25,000 paving bricks	237 50
Flagging	10 44
Blocks	77 18
Pebbles	81 11
Paving	161 16
Masonry	42 00
Templets	16 28
Advertising	16 25

Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co.

923.4 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt on concrete base, including granite block brows, at \$3.00 2,770 20

Carried forward \$5,187 95

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$5,187 95
Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co.	138 51

\$5,049 44

Amount of appropriation for Hanover street	\$3,827 66
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 6	1,221 78

\$5,049 44

Leicester street, between Washington and Surrey streets, graded, macadamized, sidewalks built. Length, 413 feet; area, 1,193 square yards.

Labor	\$1,063 85
Teaming	674 00
Gravel	69 70
Steam drilling	70 50
Advertising	12 75
Stone	567 60
Steam roller	30 00

\$2,488 40

Amount of appropriation for Leicester street	\$2,000 00
Amount paid out of Paving Division	488 40

\$2,488 40

McLellan street, Old road to White street, macadamized, sidewalks built, four catch basins built.

Labor	\$745 20
Teaming	1,018 00
Gravel	114 84
Stone	1,195 59
Steam roller	140 00
Lumber	62 31
Advertising	8 00

\$3,283 94

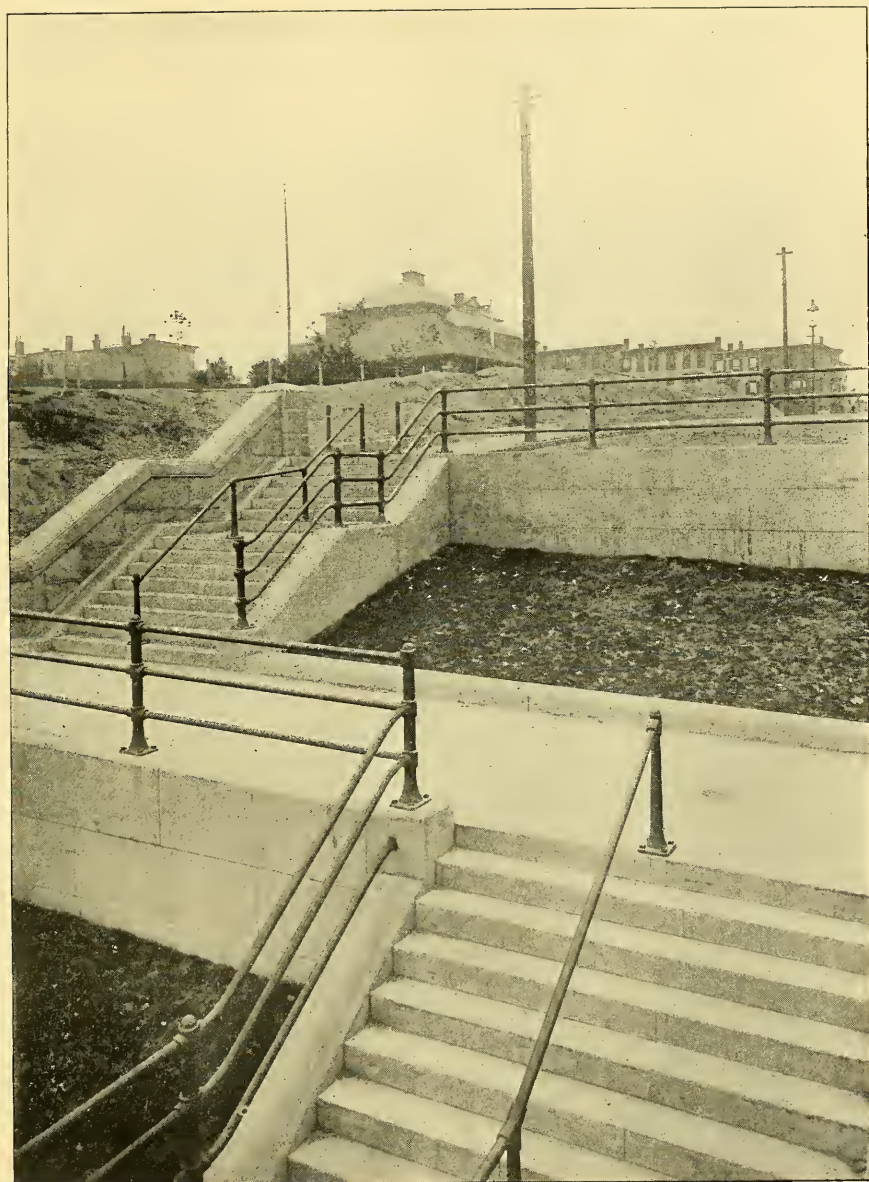
Work done by the Sewer Division	772 90
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\$4,056 84

Orleans street, Maverick street to Gove street, repaved. Length, 258 feet; area, 917 square yards.

Labor	\$857 90
Flagging	144 00

Carried forward \$1,001 90



QUINCY STREET, CHARLESTOWN—SHOWING ARTIFICIAL STONE
RETAINING WALLS, STEPS AND PLATFORMS.

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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,001 90
Crossing blocks	540 00
Teaming	499 00
Stone	340 00
Gravel	357 65
Advertising	5 00

Amount paid to Ward & Conlin:	
243 feet edgestone set	\$19 44
1,392.9 square yards block paving laid	348 23
197.3 " " brick "	35 51
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	\$3,146 73

Amount of appropriation for Orleans street	\$2,578 80
Amount paid out of street improvements, Ward 2	567 93
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	\$3,146 73

Quincy street, Ward 4, laying out and construction, including granolithic stone steps. (Now St. Martin street.)

Labor	\$4,437 76
Teaming	603 00
Stone	275 80
Gravel	183 38
Masonry	31 83
Sundries	71 21
Advertising	5 00

Amount paid to Simpson Bros.:	
Constructing artificial stone retaining walls, steps and platform	\$2,803 00
20 cubic feet concrete, at 36 cents	7 20
10 square feet surfacing, at 10 cents	1 00
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	2,811 20
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	\$8,419 18

Saratoga street, filling solid old bridge.	
Work done by the Bridge Division	\$2,022 20

Sydney street, Ward 20, reconstructing.	
Labor	\$200 10
Teaming	188 00
Paving	38 30
Advertising	10 00
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	\$436 40

Talbot avenue, Dorchester avenue to Washington street.

Labor	\$638 94
Teaming	518 24
Gravel	191 40
Paving	53 30
Blocks	64 85
Stone	307 55
Steam roller	40 00
Building wall	250 00

 \$2,064 28

Work done by the Sewer Division 107 34

 \$2,171 62

Tremont street, between Lenox street and Roxbury crossing, paving. (Work unfinished.)

Labor	\$2,009 95
Teaming	2,194 00
Gravel	873 25
Sand	305 25
67,164 large granite blocks	3,239 99
15,000 paving bricks	146 25
150 feet flagging	87 00
Advertising	5 40

Amount paid to Jones & Meehan :

1,753 square yards block paving, at 25 cents	\$438 25
806 feet edgstone set, at 8 cents	64 48
683 square yards brick paving, at 18 cents	122 94
58 square yards flagging crossings, at 25 cents	14 50
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	640 17

 \$9,501 26

Wall street, between Causeway and Minot streets, paved with large granite blocks on a gravel base with pitch joints, edge-stone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, flagging crossings relaid. Length, 653 feet ; area 1,488 square yards.

Labor	\$1,149 80
Teaming	843 50
Gravel	286 41
Sand	85 50
233.8 feet flagging	134 94

Carried forward \$2,500 15

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,500 15
27,365 large granite blocks	1,320 08
15,000 paving bricks	142 50
Advertising	8 00
Masonry	51 50

Amount paid to Dennis J. Kiley & Co. :

1,255 feet edgestone set, at 8 cents	\$100 40	
532 square yards brick paving, at 18 cents	95 76	
90.7 square yards round paving, at 25 cents	22 67	
1,488 square yards block paving pitch joints, at 90 cents	1,339 20	
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Amount of appropriation for Wall street, \$5,000 00		\$5,580 26
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 8	580 26	
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS — OLD WARDS.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARDS 1 AND 2.

Bennington street (uncompleted work from 1895).

Labor	<u>\$250 00</u>
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Bremen street, between Maverick and Sumner streets, paved with large granite blocks, brick sidewalks laid, edgestone re-set. Length, 500 feet; area, 2,053 square yards.

Labor	\$1,281 10
Teaming	547 00
Gravel	748 99
43,850 large paving blocks	2,115 32
12,000 paving bricks	114 00
Wharfage	97 40
Advertising	14 75

Amount paid to Charles L. Ward :

494.6 feet edgestone set	\$39 57	
2,053 square yards block paving	513 25	
485.8 square yards brick paving	87 44	
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		<u>\$5,558 82</u>

Saratoga street, between Meridian and Chelsea streets, macadamized, gutters paved, crossings relaid, brick sidewalks repaved. Length, 3,425; area, 11,417 square yards.

Labor	\$4,204 40
Teaming	4,285 00
Gravel	2,298 13
Filling	208 95
Sand	1,120 65
Stone	8,507 85
9,195 large paving blocks	491 53
108,800 paving bricks	1,033 75
2,260 feet flagging	1,363 41
Advertising	28 65
Steam roller	343 33

Amount paid to Ward & Conlin :

4,161.5 feet edgestone set	\$624 23
479.9 square yards block paving	167 97
1,390 square yards round paving	486 50
618.9 square yards excavation	61 89
4,815.6 square yards brick paving laid	1,107 59
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	2,448 18

Amount paid to P. J. Attridge :

2,715 feet edgestone set	\$407 25
268.1 square yards crossings laid	93 84
889.4 square yards round stone paving	311 29
285.3 square yards excavation	28 53
2,956.8 square yards brick paving laid	680 06
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	1,520 97

\$27,854 80

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Wards 1 and 2 \$9,589 52

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 1 18,265 28

\$27,854 80

Sumner street, repaired.

Labor	\$274 58
Teaming	19 50
Gravel	69 45
Advertising	6 60

\$370 13

Walley street, repaired.

Gravel	\$45 82
Teaming	65 00

\$110 82

Work done by the Bridge Division \$417 66

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 3.

Corey street, repaired.

Gravel	\$33 82
Teaming	35 00
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	\$68 82
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Decatur street, Bunker Hill street to Medford street, macadamized, gutters paved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, new and old crosswalks laid. Length, 1,185 feet; area, 3,423 square yards.

Labor	\$2,109 10
Teaming	639 00
Gravel	702 38
Stone	871 76
28,500 paving brick	270 75
804 feet flagging	583 35
Crossing blocks	58 50
Advertising	10 00
Sundries	5 57

Amount paid to P. Brennan & Co.:

2,997 feet edgestone set	\$239 76
1,399 square yards block paving	349 75
1,888 square yards brick paving	339 84
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	929 35
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	\$6,179 76

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 3 (old) \$5,804 00

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 3 (new) 375 76

\$6,179 76

Prospect street, between Chelsea and Tremont streets, macadamized, gutters paved, edgestone set, brick sidewalks relaid, new and old crosswalks laid. Length, 692 feet; area, 1,999 square yards.

Labor	\$1,085 60
Teaming	502 00
Gravel	472 29
Stone	624 77
125.2 feet flagging	72 62
Advertising	5 00
15,000 paving brick	142 50

Carried forward \$2,904 78

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,904 78
Amount paid to P. Brennan & Co.:	
1,916 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet edgestone set	\$174 22
746 square yards block paving	204 20
1,231 square yards brick paving	227 73
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	\$3,510 93
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 3 (old)	\$2,331 47
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 3 (new)	1,179 46
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	<u>\$3,510 93</u>
Tremont street , between Monument square and Chelsea street, macadamized, gutters paved, edgestone set, brick sidewalks relaid, new and old crossings laid. Length, 1,021 feet; area, 2,668 square yards.	
Labor	\$1,257 50
Teaming	609 50
Gravel	615 88
Stone	933 23
300 feet flagging	174 00
17,500 paving brick	166 25
Sundries	32 35
Amount paid to Dennis Haley & Co.:	
2,111.3 feet edgestone set	\$168 90
919 square yards block paving	229 75
1,298 square yards brick paving	233 64
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	632 29
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	<u>\$4,421 00</u>
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 3 (old)	\$4,187 28
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 3 (new)	233 72
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	<u>\$4,421 00</u>
Work done by the Sewer Division	<u>\$615 24</u>

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 4.

Essex street , between Main street and Rutherford avenue, macadamized (in part), gutters paved, edgestone set, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 794 feet; area, 2,661 square yards.	
Labor	\$404 80
Teaming	80 50
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<i>Carried forward</i>	<u>\$485 30</u>

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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$485 30
Gravel	207 01
2,500 paving brick	23 75

Amount paid to John Turner & Co.:

1,009.2 feet edgestone set	\$80 73
430 square yards block paving	107 50
688 square yards brick paving	123 84
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	\$1,028 13

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 4 (old) \$556 33

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 4 (new) 471 80

\$1,028 13

Medford street, between Pearl and Quincy streets, repaved (in part), edgestone set, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 1,591 feet; area, 7,071 square yards.

Labor	\$613 43
Teaming	75 00
Gravel	217 98
16,000 paving brick	152 00

Amount paid to P. Brennan & Co.:

1,230.6 feet edgestone set	\$134 78
841 square yards block paving	232 85
1,239.4 square yards brick paving	248 34
Masonry	41 00
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	\$1,715 38

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 4 (old) \$1,086 83

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 4 (new) 628 55

\$1,715 38

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 5.

Main street, between City square and Miller street, paved with large granite blocks, edgestone set and reset, new brick sidewalks laid, new crossings laid. Length, 1,900 feet; area, 8,440 square yards.

Labor	\$4,217 40
Teaming	1,418 00
Gravel	1,946 25
2,180 feet edgestone	1,536 59

Carried forward \$9,118 24

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$9,118 24
190,507 large paving blocks	10,233 93
75,000 paving brick	712 50
1,601 feet flagging	928 58
Sand	119 00
Masonry	120 76
Sundries	19 19

Amount paid to John Turner & Co.:

4,309.7 feet edgestone set	\$891 49
11,901 square yards block paving	3,041 00
64.2 square yards round paving	16 05
3,750.1 square yards brick paving	680 52
153 feet track lowered	137 70

\$4,266 76

Credit by 164,182 second hand blocks, 1,641 82

2,624 94

\$23,877 14

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 5 (old) \$4,754 35

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 5 (new) 19,122 79

\$23,877 14

Washington street, repaired.

Labor	\$232 30
Teaming	63 00
Gravel	69 20
Advertising	7 00
	<u>\$371 50</u>

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARDS 9 AND 10.

Chestnut street, between Charles street and Charles river, paved with large granite blocks, edgestone reset, flagging crossings relaid, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 818 feet; area, 2,725 square yards.

Labor	\$1,320 50
Teaming	1,433 00
Gravel	360 00
Sand	101 40
40 small corners	134 00
192.5 feet edgestone	119 35
405 feet flagging	240 70

Carried forward \$3,708 95

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,708 95
54,061 large paving blocks	2,607 90
15,000 paving brick	142 50
Lumber	7 96
Masonry	101 50
Advertising	15 45

Amount paid to James Grant & Co.:

1,507 feet edgestone set	\$120 56
2,688 square yards block paving laid	672 00
716 square yards brick paving laid	128 88
7.8 square yards brick paving herring bone on edge	3 35
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	\$7,509 05

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Wards 9 and 10 \$5,257 29

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 11 2,251 76

\$7,509 05

Parkman street, between North Grove and North Russell streets, resurfaced.

Labor	\$269 10
Stone	264 25
Gravel	59 60
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	\$592 95
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 12.

Beach street, between Harrison avenue and Washington streets, paved with large granite blocks on a concrete base with pitch joints, edgestone reset, sidewalks relaid. Length, 483 feet; area, 1,878 square yards.

Labor	\$378 75
Teaming	1,295 00
Gravel	215 43
74 feet edgestone	45 88
216 feet flagging	128 27
52,946 large granite blocks	2,537 01
20,000 paving brick	195 00
Templets	12 20
Masonry	98 00
Cement	11 00

Amount paid to J. B. O'Rourke:

1,302 square yards paving barred up and roadway excavated \$325 50

Carried forward \$325 50

\$4,916 54

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$325 50	\$4,910 54
295 cubic yards American cement concrete base	1,475 00	
1,852.6 square yards granite block paving, pitch joints	1,667 34	
595 feet edgestone reset	89 25	
431 square yards brick paving relaid	99 13	
18 square yards block paving gravel joints	4 50	
Extra work, as ordered	21 56	
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		\$8,598 82
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 12 (old)	\$6,113 44	
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 7 (new)	2,485 38	
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Chauncy street, between Summer and Essex streets, paved with large granite blocks on a concrete base with pitch joints, edgestone reset, sidewalks relaid. Length, 872 feet; area, 2,325 square yards.

Labor	\$792 09
Teaming	1,442 50
Gravel	210 82
57,652 large granite blocks	2,781 13
71.5 feet edgestone	48 07
8,200 paving brick	79 95
377 feet flagging	219 78
Templets	4 40
Masonry	84 00
Advertising	31 14
Lumber	15 81
Cement	11 00

Amount paid to Metropolitan Construction Co. :	
2,050 square yards pavement barred up and roadway excavated	\$512 50
428.4 cubic yards American cement concrete base	2,142 00
2,570.2 square yards granite block paving, pitch joints	2,313 18
223 feet edgestone reset	33 45
147 square yards brick sidewalks relaid,	33 81
87 square yards granite block paving, gravel joints	21 75
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	5,056 69
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$10,777 38

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$10,777 38
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 12 (old)	\$8,208 09
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 6 (new)	474 49
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 7 (new)	2,094 80
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	\$10,777 38

Essex street, repaired.

11,696 large paving blocks	\$564 21
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Harvard street, between Hudson street and Harrison avenue, paved with large blocks; and between Harrison avenue and Washington street, paved with small blocks, edgestone reset, sidewalks relaid. Length, 751 feet; area, 1,416 square yards.

Labor	\$1,478 12
Teaming	1,021 00
Gravel	262 26
436.1 feet flagging	257 36
28.1 feet circular edgestone	36 51
12,200 paving brick	122 00
14,500 granite paving blocks	699 48
Masonry	357 00
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	\$4,233 73
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Pine street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue, asphalted, edgestone reset and sidewalks relaid. Length, 419 feet; area, 570 square yards.

Labor	\$626 95
Teaming	578 00
Gravel	54 70
225 small blocks	9 23
6,400 paving brick	64 00
335 feet edgestone	207 70
57 feet flagging	33 18
Masonry	147 00
Templets	15 60
Advertising	23 63

Amount paid to Barber Asphalt Paving Co.:

567.5 square yards Trinidad lake asphalt with binder and cement concrete base, at \$3	1,702 50
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\$3,462 49

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co.,	85 13
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$3,377 36
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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,377 36
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 12	\$3,327 15
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 7	50 21
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	\$3,377 36

Whitmore street. Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co. for work done under contract in 1895	62 70
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Street Improvements Ward 13. A street, repaved.

Labor	\$108 10
Teaming	18 00
Paving	140 50
Advertising	26 65
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	293 25

C street, between First and Third streets, macadamized,
gutters paved. Length, 506 feet; area, 1912 square yards.

Labor	372 60
Teaming	314 50
Gravel	47 93
Stone	455 43
Advertising	26 23
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	\$1,216 69

D street, between First and Third streets, paved with
large granite blocks, edgestone set and reset, brick sidewalks
laid, flagging crossings laid and relaid. Length, 506 feet;
area, 1,912 square yards.

Labor	\$1,864 91
Teaming	864 00
Gravel	560 75
510 feet flagging	319 06
39,229 large granite blocks	1,892 41
Wharfage on blocks	103 20
10,000 paving brick	97 50
354 3-12 feet edgestone and 2 small corners	226 33
Advertising	40 48

Amount paid to H. Gore & Co.:

2,091.5 square yards block paving	\$522 88
1,017.6 feet edgestone set	81 41
561.6 square yards brick paving	101 09
138.3 square yards flagging crossings	34 58
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	739 96

Carried forward \$6,708 60

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$6,708 60
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 13 (old)	\$5,436 93
Amount paid out of Street Improv- ments, Ward 13 (new)	1,271 67
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	\$6,708 60

**Dorchester avenue, between First street and N. Y., N.
H. & H. R. R. crossing, paved with large granite blocks,
edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, flagging crossings
laid and relaid. Length 2,125 feet; area, 9,445 square yards.**

Labor	\$4,993 05
Teaming	3,470 50
Gravel and sand	1,446 87
902 feet flagging	523 16
63,000 paving brick	614 25
148,062 large paving blocks	7,142 50
Wharfage	674 75
Advertising	36 50

Amount paid to H. Gore & Co.:	
6,716.4 square yards block paving	\$1,679 10
3,267 feet edgestone, set	261 36
2,977.7 square yards brick paving	535 99
463.3 square yards flagging laid	115 83
36.9 square yards block paving laid	9 23
25.2 square yards brick paving herring bone	9 07
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	2,610 58
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	\$21,512 16

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 13 (old)	\$11,605 10
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 13 (new).	9,907 06
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	\$21,512 16

**Dove street, between E and Dorchester streets, macad-
amized, gutters repaved, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks re-
laid. Length, 1,255 feet; area, 1,841 square yards.**

Labor	\$1,202 90
Teaming	389 50
Gravel	87 20
Stone	332 61
10,000 paving brick	97 50

Amount paid to H. Gore & Co.:	
2,522.1 feet edgestone set	\$201 77
64.1 square yards block paving	16 03
573.7 square yards round paving	143 43
612.2 square yards brick paving	110 20
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	471 43

Carried forward \$2,581 14

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,581 14
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 13 (old)	\$2,144 38
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 14	436 76
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Work done by the Sewer Division	\$241 60
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARDS 14 AND 15.

Bellflower street, between Dorchester avenue and Boston street, macadamized, edgestone set, gutters paved, crossings laid, brick sidewalks laid. Length, 691 feet; area, 1,996 square yards.

Labor	\$1,337 91
Teaming	413 00
Filling	1,064 35
Stone	553 02
1,318.3 feet edgestone	817 35
102.2 feet flagging	59 27
Paving	238 48
Advertising	29 63

Amount paid to John McMorro

Building retaining walls as per agreement	519 00
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	\$5,032 01

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Wards 14 and 15	\$4,135 62
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 15 (old)	891 39
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 16 (new)	5 00
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	\$5,032 01
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East Eighth street, between Old Harbor and Mercer streets, paved between the tracks with large granite blocks. Length, 500 feet; area, 778 square yards.

Labor	\$274 54
Teaming	132 50
12,420 large paving blocks	599 14
1,500 paving brick	14 78
Advertising	31 50

Amount paid to H. Gore & Co.:

704 square yards block paving	\$176 00
440 square yards paving barred out, dug out, laid, and gravel furnished	308 00
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	484 00
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Carried forward \$1,536 46

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,536 46
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Wards 14 and 15	\$1,228 46
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 15 (new)	308 00
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East Sixth street, between L and N streets, paved with large granite blocks, edgestone set and reset, brick sidewalks laid and relaid, crossings laid and relaid. Length, 1,141 feet; area, 4,310 square yards.

Labor	\$2,019 60
Teaming	866 00
Gravel	400 58
300 feet flagging	174 00
10,500 paving brick	102 38
Lime	90
Crossing blocks	231 50
255 feet edgestone	158 10
69,225 large paving blocks	3,339 42
Wharfage	217 60
Advertising	8 25
Sundries	6 60

Amount paid to H. Gore & Co.:

2,709 square yards block paving	\$677 25
2,081 feet edgestone set	166 48
1,277 square yards brick paving	229 86
24 square yards flagging laid	6 00
534 square yards paving barred out, dug out, teamed, laid and gravel furnished	480 60
	<hr/> 1,560 19
	<hr/> \$9,085 12

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Wards 14 and 15	\$8,785 17
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 14 (new)	299 95
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K street, between East Sixth and East Eighth street, asphalted, paved between tracks with large granite blocks, edgestone set, brick sidewalks laid, flagging crossings laid. Length, 567 feet; area, 1,083 square yards.

Labor	\$1,449 75
Teaming	488 00
280 feet flagging	162 40
14,500 paving brick	141 38
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$2,241 53

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,241 53
13,890 large granite blocks	670 04
Stone	465 16
Advertising	6 00
Sundries	4 96

Amount paid to H. Gore & Co. :	
286 square yards paving barred out, dng out, teamed, laid and gravel furnished,	\$257 40
356 square yards block paving	89 00
1,133 feet edgestone set	90 64
976 square yards brick paving	175 68
103 square yards flagging crossings	25 75
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	638 47

Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co. :	
1,082.7 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt with con- crete base	\$3,248 10
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	\$7,274 26
Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co.	162 40
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	\$7,111 86

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Wards 14 and 15	\$3,868 86
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 14 (new)	1,700 15
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 15 (new)	1,542 85
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	\$7,111 86
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Rawson street, between Dorchester avenue and Boston street,
macadamized, edgestone set, gutters paved. Length, 475 feet ;
area, 1,372 square yards.

Labor	\$688 10
Teaming	360 54
Gravel	191 78
Stone	558 79
893 $\frac{2}{12}$ feet edgestone and 6 small corners	573 86
15,000 gutter blocks	300 00
Paving	156 60
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	\$2,829 67

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Wards 14 and 15	\$1,065 73
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 16 (new)	1,763 94
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	\$2,829 67
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Swett street, Massachusetts avenue to railroad bridge, macadamized, plank and gravel sidewalks laid. Length, 2,224 feet; area, 9,884 square yards.

Labor	\$724 50
Teaming	1,963 00
Gravel	991 37
Stone	5,136 02
Steam roller	340 00
Masonry	24 00
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	\$9,178 89

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Wards 14 and 15 . . . \$2,749 21

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 20 (old) . . .	6,429 68	
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Vale street, between Burnham street and water front, macadamized. Length, 400 feet; area, 1,155 square yards.

Teaming	\$10 00
Gravel	31 00
Stone	136 50
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	\$177 50

Work done by the Sewer Division . . .	\$5,310 32
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 16.

Compton street, Shawmut avenue to Washington street, sidewalks relaid, gutters paved.

Labor	\$230 00
Teaming	348 00
Gravel and sand	134 19
4,875 large granite blocks	318 83
55 feet flagging	44 00
12,300 paving brick	123 00
Masonry	84 00
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	\$1,282 02

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 16 (old) . . . \$1,092 13

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 9 (new) . . .	189 89	
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARDS 17 AND 18.

Albany street, between Concord street and Massachusetts avenue, repaved, edgestone reset, gravel walks laid. Length, 690 feet; area, 4,140 square yards.

Labor	\$319 00
Teaming	12 00
Gravel	86 62
400 second quality blocks	12 00
300 paving brick	3 00
Masonry	63 00
Amount paid to Doherty & Connors:	
2,300 square yards block paving laid	\$805 00
393 feet edgestone set	31 44
130 square yards brick paving laid	23 40
49 square yards flagging crossings	17 15
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	876 99

Amount paid to Barber Asphalt Paving Co., 450.35 square yards Trinidad asphalt	1,125 87
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	\$2,498 48

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Wards 17 and 18	\$1,085 49
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 12 (new)	1,412 99
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	\$2,498 48

East Lenox street, new sidewalks.

Labor	\$207 15
Teaming	48 16
Gravel	37 21
550 large granite blocks	30 25
675 paving brick	6 75
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	\$329 52

Fabin street.

Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co., for work done under contract in 1895	\$92 27
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Fellows street, macadamized. Length, 1,061 feet; area, 3,065 square yards.

Labor	\$175 38
Teaming	541 00
Stone	2,451 95
Advertising	7 50
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Carried forward \$3,175 83

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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,175 83
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Wards 17 and 18	\$862 13
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 12 (new)	1,713 20
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 17 (new)	493 50
Amount paid out of Paving Division	107 00
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	\$3,175 83

Flagg street, between Washington and Reed streets, macad-
amized, edgestone reset, sidewalks relaid.

Labor	\$457 22
Teaming	762 96
Gravel	82 05
Stone	348 62
100 feet edgestone and two small corners	68 70
5,000 paving brick	47 50
Masonry	168 00
Advertising	10 75
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	\$1,945 80

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Wards 17 and 18	\$1,653 75
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 12	292 05
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\$1,945 80

Harrison avenue.

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving
Co., for work done under contract in 1895

\$245 39

Pembroke street (unfinished work from 1895).

Labor	\$73 60
Teaming	590 00
Gravel	29 64
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	\$693 24

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Wards 17 and 18	\$665 64
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 12 (new)	27 60
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\$693 24

West Canton street (unfinished work from 1895).

Masonry	\$119 00
Teaming	12 00
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\$131 00

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARDS 19 AND 22.

Bay State road.

Gravel	\$187 55
Teaming	54 00
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Beacon street, Massachusetts avenue to Commonwealth avenue, macadamized, gutters paved, edgestone reset, crossings laid and relaid, sidewalks relaid. Length, 1,750 feet; area, 8,944 square yards.

Labor	\$256 43
Teaming	1,653 50
Gravel and sand	710 05
Stone	2,726 59
Steam roller	150 00
11,500 paving brick	112 50
200.3 feet flagging	116 17
Advertising	26 70

Amount paid to James Grant & Co. :

2,600 feet edgestone set	\$390 00
1,496 square yards block paving laid	523 60
989 square yards brick paving laid	227 47
123 square yards brick paving laid, her- ring bone	50 43
4.8 square yards brick paving laid, her- ring bone, on edge	2 64
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	1,194 14
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	\$6,946 08

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
ments, Wards 19 and 22

\$4,596 99

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
ments, Ward 11 (new)

412 21

Amount paid out of Paving Division

1,936 88

\$6,946 08

Boylston street (unfinished work from 1895).

Gravel	<hr/> \$86 80
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Calumet street (unfinished work from 1895).

Stone	<hr/> \$360 00
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Lawn street (unfinished work from 1895).

Gravel	\$265 60
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Stone	60 00
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\$325 60

Marlborough street, between Massachusetts avenue and Parkway, macadamized, edgestone reset, gutters repaved, sidewalks relaid. Length, 647 feet; area, 2,444 square yards.

Labor	\$66 70
Teaming	731 42
Gravel	286 08
Stone	992 32
Steam roller	60 00
200 feet flagging	116 00

Amount paid to James Grant & Co.:

827 feet edgestone set	\$124 05
443 square yards block paving	155 05
447 square yards brick paving	102 81
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	\$2,634 43
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Parker street (unfinished work from 1895).

Gravel	\$55 80
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Roxbury street, between Washington street and Shawmut avenue, repaved with large granite blocks; between Shawmut avenue and Cabot street, macadamized, gutters repaved, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, paved 350 feet; area, 1,633 square yards. Length, macadamized 2,651 feet; area, 13,685 square yards.

Labor	\$2,517 25
Teaming	3,765 50
Gravel and sand	2,298 75
Stone	2,445 48
Steam roller	40 00
301.3 feet flagging	174 76
18,650 paving brick	201 05
51 feet edgestone and two small corners	51 72
20,000 large granite blocks	964 80
Masonry	29 20

Amount paid to Austin Ford & Son:

3,303 feet edgestone set	\$264 24
2,917 square yards block paving	729 25
2,278 square yards brick paving	410 04
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	1,403 53
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	\$13,892 04

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Wards 19 and 22 \$6,188 28

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 18 (new) 7,703 76

\$13,892 04

Westland avenue (unfinished work from 1895).

Stone	\$1,367 77
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 20.

Newcomb street, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 611 feet; area, 1,289 square yards.

Labor	\$345 95
Teaming	545 50
Gravel	883 95
Stone	464 45
3,000 paving brick	29 25
Paving	251 97

\$2,521 07

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 20 (old) . . . \$1,636 82

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 17 (new) . . . 884 25

\$2,521 07

Quincy street (unfinished work from 1895).

Teaming	\$20 00
Gravel	308 00
Stone	717 35
Steam roller	240 00

\$1,285 35

Shirley street roadway and sidewalks gravelled.

Gravel	\$2,846 00
Filling	390 00

\$3,236 00

Work done by the Sewer Division . . . \$301 51

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 24.

Alban street (entire length), excavated, filled, subgraded, macadamized, sidewalks built. Length, 1,358 feet; area, 3,948 square yards.

Labor	\$814 66
Teaming	887 00
Gravel	282 48
Stone	903 24
Steam roller	240 00
Masonry	34 50
Artificial stone sidewalk	30 66
Paving	9 00

\$3,201 54

Bicknell street (unfinished work from 1895).

Teaming	\$124 00
Gravel	88 20
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	\$212 20
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Bradshaw street, between Glenway and Bicknell streets, macadamized, gutters paved, sidewalks surfaced, two catch basins built. Length, 450 feet; area, 1,300 square yards.

Labor	\$593 98
Teaming	730 50
Gravel	119 10
Stone	305 00
Steam roller	70 00
Paving	155 50
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	\$1,974 08
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Morton street (unfinished work from 1895).

Teaming	\$310 00
Gravel	8 40
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	\$318 40
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Work done by the Sewer Division \$1,824 38

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 25.

Washington street, between Commonwealth avenue and Oak square, widened, macadamized, gutters paved, sidewalks built.

Labor	\$209 48
Teaming	1,148 00
Gravel	2,356 20
Stone	8,738 99
Steam roller	210 00

Amount paid to James Grant & Co.:

5,300 feet edgstone set	\$424 00
45.1 square yards block paving	11 28
1,787 square yards round stone paving	446 75
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	\$13,544 70
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Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 25 (old) \$2,119 67

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 25 (new) 939 50

Amount paid out of Paving Division 10,485 53

\$13,544 70

Western avenue, between Western-avenue bridge and Market street, resurfaced, plank walks repaired, crossings laid and relaid. Length.

Labor	\$384 10
Teaming	484 00
Stone	37 30
97.6 feet flagging	58 56
Paving	20 67
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	\$984 63

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 25 (old) . . . \$338 07

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 25 (new) . . . 646 56

\$984 63

Winship street (unfinished work from 1895).

Stone	\$1,478 63
Gravel	17 00

\$1,495 63

Work done by the Bridge Division . . . \$455 74

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, NEW WARDS.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 1.

Blackinton and Leyden streets, gravelled, new edgestone and gutters built, sidewalks gravelled. Area, 728 square yards.

Labor	\$554 30
Teaming	159 94
Gravel	180 29
Stone screenings	40 80
Edgestone	6 40

\$941 73

Byron street, between Pope and Bennington streets, gravelled, crossings paved. Length, 1,164 feet; area, 4,397 square yards.

Labor	\$368 00
Teaming	406 00
Gravel	1,683 70
Stone screenings	34 85

\$2,492 55

Chelsea street.

Teaming	\$72 00
Sand	26 82
Gravel	44 70
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	\$143 52
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Cowper street.

Gravel	\$47 68
Stone screenings	25 50
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Shelby street.

Teaming	\$15 50
Gravel	17 88
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Wordsworth street, between Bennington street and cemetery,
resurfaced. Length, 350 feet ; area, 1,322 square yards.

Labor	\$98 90
Teaming	16 00
Gravel	298 00
Stone screenings	147 05
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	\$559 95
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Work done by the Sewer Division \$1,653 97

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 2.

Havre street, between Maverick and Meridian streets, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 613 feet ; area, 2,316 square yards.

Labor	\$496 80
Teaming	477 62
Gravel	497 66
Stone	135 94
10,000 paving brick	95 00

Amount paid to Ward & Conlin:

1,080.3 feet edgestone set	\$162 05
523.9 square yards block paving	183 37
985.7 square yards brick paving	226 71
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	\$2,275 15
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Haynes street macadamized, gutters paved, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 642 feet; area, 1,480 square yards.

Labor	\$916 18
Teaming	575 63
Gravel	391 87
Stone	102 41
23,000 paving brick	222 50
881 gutter blocks	25 06

Amount paid to Ward & Conlin:

1,303.5 feet edgestone set.	\$104 28
471.1 square yards block paving	117 78
700.3 square yards brick paving	126 05
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	348 11

\$2,581 76

Marion and Bremen streets, filled and resurfaced to new grade. Area 1,200 square yards.

Labor	\$278 30
Teaming	234 00
Gravel	47 68
Stone	1,346 38

\$1,906 36

Maverick Street, repaired.

Labor	\$177 10
Teaming	237 00

\$414 10

Sumner Street, between Orleans and Webster streets, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length 2,259 feet; area 9,789 square yards.

Labor	\$2,815 62
Teaming	1,865 00
Gravel and sand	1,552 42
Stone	890 33
Steam roller	415 00
Cement	23 00
80,000 paving bricks	760 00
Advertising	17 25

Amount paid to Ward & Conlin:

4,893.1 feet edgestones set	\$391 45
2,032.9 square yards block paving	508 23
3,537 square yards round stone paving	884 25
1,800.3 square yards brick paving	324 05
20.5 square yards hexagonal paving	5 13
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\$10,451 73

Webster Street, between Orleans and Sumner streets, macadamized; between Orleans street and B. & M. R.R. repaved, edgestones reset, gutters repaved, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, macadam 2,315 feet; paving 210 feet; area, macadam 7,460 square yards; paving 1,093 square yards.

Labor	\$1,735 52
Teaming	1,320 00
Gravel and sand	1,740 79
Stone	1,328 18
Steam roller	351 66
5,220 granite blocks	273 58
765 feet flagging	478 70
63,750 paving bricks	605 62
Advertising	7 40

Amount paid to Ward & Conlin:

5,136.1 feet edgestone set	\$410 89	
841.6 square yards block paving	210 40	
1,611.3 square yards round paving	402 83	
5,756.4 square yards brick paving	1,036 15	
Extra work as ordered	15 50	2,075 77

\$9,917 22

Work done by the Bridge Division \$300 00

Work done by the Sewer Division \$869 67

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 3.

Ferrin street (entire length), macadamized, gutters paved, edgestones set, brick sidewalks laid, crossings laid or relaid. Length, 1,121 feet; area, 2,330 square yards.

Labor	\$1,566 20
Teaming	473 50
Gravel	739 32
Stone	955 30
19,000 paving brick	180 50
326 feet flagging	189 08
10.6 feet edgestone and 2 small corners	14 55
Masonry	9 65
Cement	3 30
Advertising	9 75
Lumber	16 00

Amount paid to Healey & O'Hara:

2,883 feet edgestone set	\$230 64
1,033 square yards round paving	258 25
1,313 square yards brick paving	236 34

725 23

\$4,882 38

Work done by the Sewer Division . . . \$556 29

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 4.

Alford street, from end of block paving to Everett line, macadamized, plank walk laid, fence built. Length, 2,114 feet; area, 7,249 square yards.

Labor	\$1,201 75
Teaming	452 00
Gravel	442 88
Stone	1,036 21
Nails	19 08
Lumber	293 16
	<u>\$3,445 08</u>

Beach street (entire length), macadamized, gutters paved, edgestone set, brick sidewalks laid, crossings relaid, gravel sidewalks built. Length, 337 feet; area, 665 square yards.

Labor	\$147 20
Teaming	50 50
Gravel	29 41
	<u>\$227 11</u>

Walker street (entire length), macadamized, gutters paved, edgestone set, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 755 feet; area, 1,526 square yards.

Labor	\$1,016 60
Teaming	364 50
Gravel	522 16
Stone	574 49
Edgestone	13 04
82 feet flagging	69 70
20,000 paving bricks	190 00
Masonry	26 01
Advertising	28 88

Amount paid to P. Brennan & Co.:

2,285 feet edgestone set	\$342 75
283 square yards block paving	99 05
728 square yards round paving	254 80
1,306 square yards brick paving	300 38
Extra work as ordered	134 00
	<u>\$1,130 98</u>
	<u>\$3,936 36</u>

Work done by the Sewer Division . . . \$2,821 71

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 5.

City Square, repaved, edgestone reset. Area, 834 square yards.

238 feet edgestone set	\$19 04
834 square yards block paving	208 50
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	\$227 54

Park Square, repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings laid and relaid. Area, 351 square yards.

Labor	\$216 20
Teaming	76 00
Gravel	58 82
250 feet flagging	145 00
Paving	99 78
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	\$595 80

Stacey street (entire length), paved with old granite blocks, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, gravel sidewalks built. Length, 492 feet; area, 820 square yards.

Labor	\$894 70
Teaming	255 00
Gravel	266 42
Sundries	30 00
Advertising	5 00

Amount paid to Healey & O'Hara :

907.7 feet edgestone set	\$72 62
925 square yards block paving	231 25
81 square yards brick paving	14 58
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	318 45
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	\$1,769 57

Union street, between Lynde and Washington streets, macadamized, gutters paved, edgestone set, crossings laid. Length, 84 feet; area, 215 square yards.

Labor	\$264 50
Teaming	68 40
Gravel	74 39
Flagging	68 85
Edgestone	7 20
Paving	60 87
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	\$544 21

Warren Avenue, between City square and railroad tracks, repaved, edgestone reset, crossings laid and relaid. Length, 200 feet; area, 1,330 square yards.

Labor	\$591 10
Teaming	9 00
Gravel	242 20
350 feet flagging	203 00
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	\$1,045 30

Warren street, between Winthrop and Soley streets (unfinished work from 1895).

Teaming	\$102 00
Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co.:	
365.3 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt with concrete base	\$1,095 90
Less amount paid in 1895	714 16
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	381 74
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	\$483 74

Work done by the Sewer Division	<u>\$678 53</u>
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 6.

Batterymarch street, between Milk and Kilby square, asphalted, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid.

Labor	\$414 00
Teaming	194 00
Edgestone	19 47
Paving	17 57
Templets	11 20

Amount paid to Barber Asphalt Paving Co.:	
428.9 square yards Trinidad lake asphalt with concrete base and binder	\$1,286 70

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Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co.,		64 33
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City Hall avenue, between School street and Court square, paved with asphalt blocks on a gravel base, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 196 feet; area, 271 square yards.

Labor	\$346 80
Gravel and sand	55 90
Electric lights	14 45

Carried forward	<hr/>	\$417 15
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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$417 15
Amount paid to H. Gore & Co.:	
262.5 square yards asphalt blocks furnished and laid	\$787 50
7.3 square yards brick paving, herringbone	1 82
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	789 32
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	<u>\$1,206 47</u>

Devonshire street, between Dock square and State street, paved with large granite blocks on a concrete base with pitch joints, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings laid. Length, 303 feet; area, 1,155 square yards.

Labor	\$1,271 75
Teaming	1,169 50
Gravel and sand	200 10
23,975 large granite blocks	1,156 55
226.1 feet flagging	131 14
70 feet edgestone	43 40
6,000 paving bricks	57 00
Electric lights	19 95
Masonry	3 50
Templets	37 24

Amount paid to J. B. O'Rourke & Co.:

187.5 cubic yards American cement concrete base	\$937 50
1,130 square yards block paving, pitch joints	1,017 00
247 feet edgestone reset	19 76
198 square yards brick paving relaid	35 64
159 square yards block paving relaid	55 65
159 square yards barring and excavating	15 90
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	\$2,081 45

Less 13 double loads screened gravel \$19 37

Less 60 single loads screened gravel 45 00

64 37

2,017 08

\$6,107 21

Garden Court street, between Fleet street and North square, paved with large granite blocks, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 230 feet; area, 358 square yards.

Labor	\$462 91
Teaming	338 50

Carried forward \$801 41

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$801 41
Gravel and sand	141 85
8,910 large granite blocks	429 82
8,000 paving brick	76 00
80 feet edgestone	49 60
Masonry	14 00
Paving	187 95
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	<u>\$1,700 63</u>

North street, between Blackstone street and Merchants row, paved with large granite blocks on a concrete base with pitch joints, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 162 feet; area, 648 square yards.

Labor	\$449 50
Teaming	574 50
Gravel and sand	86 63
150 feet flagging	90 00
16 feet circular edgestone	20 80
11,945 large granite blocks	567 48
Templets	38 45

Amount paid to Metropolitan Construction Co.:

618.7 square yards block paving, pitch joints	\$556 83
52 feet edgestone set	7 80
37 square yards brick paving	8 51
103.1 cubic yards American cement, concrete base	515 50
618.7 square yards paving removed and excavated	154 68
109 square yards barring and preparing bed	54 50
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	1,297 82
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	<u>\$3,125 18</u>

North square, between No. 20 and North street, paved with small blocks, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Area, 350 square yards.

Labor	\$182 65
Teaming	111 00
Gravel and sand	66 25
2,500 paving brick	23 75
Advertising	8 20
Paving	96 15
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	<u>\$488 00</u>

North Margin street.

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co., for work done in 1895	\$173 51
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North Market street, repaved.

Labor	\$300 15
Teaming	22 50
Gravel	38 00
Blocks	16 50
Cement	132 50
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	\$509 65

Prince street, between Hanover street and North square,
paved with large granite blocks, edgestone reset, brick side-
walks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 140 feet. Area, 218
square yards.

Labor	\$389 85
Teaming	330 50
Gravel	73 05
Edgestone	26 04
Flagging	19 72
Brick	38 00
Blocks	349 74
Masonry	10 50
Paving	123 48
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	\$1,360 88

Stillman street, between Charlestown and Endicott streets,
asphalted, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings
relaid. Length, 202 feet; area, 600 square yards.

Labor	\$769 35
Teaming	470 00
Gravel and sand	254 13
Edgestone	43 90
Flagging	15 60
14,300 gutter blocks	564 85
Brick	85 50
Advertising	10 34

Amount paid to Dennis J. Kiley & Co.:

478 feet edgestone set	\$38 24
748 square yards block paving . .	187 00
237 square yards brick paving . .	42 66
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	267 90
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	\$2,481 57

Tileston street.

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co., for work done under contract in 1895	\$19 54
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Water street, between Broad street and Kilby square, asphalted, edgestone reset, brick sidewalk relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 252 feet; area, 654 square yards.

Labor	\$782 11
Teaming	337 50
Gravel and sand	34 55
321 feet edgestone	199 02
12.2 feet circular edgestone	15 87
10,000 paving brick	95 00
50 feet flagging	29 00
Templets	28 85
Advertising	7 60

Amount paid to J. B. O'Rourke & Co.:	
159.3 square yards block paving	143 37

Amount paid to D. J. Kiley & Co.:	
539 feet edgestone set	\$43 12
335 square yards brick paving	63 90
11 square yards crossings laid	2 75
16 square yards block paving	4 00
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Amount paid to Barber Asphalt Paving Co.:	
657.8 square yards Trinidad lake asphalt with American cement, concrete base	1,973 40

\$3,760 04

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co.	98 67
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\$3,661 37

Work done by the Sewer Division	\$289 47
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 7.

Corning street, between Shawmut avenue and Washington streets, asphalted.

Labor	\$11 75
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Amount paid to Barber Asphalt Paving Co.:	
680.8 square yards Trinidad asphalt on existing concrete base	1,361 60

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,373 35
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Brought forward \$1,373 35
 Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co.: 68 08

\$1,305 27

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
 ments, Ward 7 \$1,293 52

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
 ments, Ward 9 11 75

\$1,305 27

Edinboro' street.

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co.,
 for work done under contract in 1895 . . . \$136 17

Milk street, between Oliver and India streets, paved with large granite blocks on a concrete base with pitch joints, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 556 feet; area, 1,870 square yards.

Labor \$2,191 16

Teaming 1,567 00

Gravel and sand 351 62

11,000 paving brick 104 50

755 feet flagging 437 90

75 feet edgestone 46 50

24,445 large paving blocks 1,179 23

Templets 38 33

Masonry 24 50

Advertising 3 10

Amount paid to Jones & Meehan:

325.47 cubic yards American cement,
 concrete base \$1,627 35

1,996 square yards granite block paving,
 pitch joints 1,796 40

444 feet edgestone reset 35 52

288.5 square yards brick sidewalks
 relaid 51 93

590.5 square yards block gravel, gravel
 joints 147 63

3,658 83

\$9,602 67

Ohio street, between Washington street and Shawmut avenue, asphalted, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 343 feet; area, 268 square yards.

Labor \$256 65

Teaming 110 50

Carried forward \$367 15

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$367 15
Gravel	10 78
2,300 paving bricks	23 00
Templets	7 85
Masonry	154 00
Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co. :	
263.7 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt with cement, concrete base	791 10
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	\$1,353 88
Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co.	39 56
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	<u>\$1,314 32</u>

West street.

Amount retained from H. Gore & Co., for work done under contract in 1895	<u>\$147 26</u>
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Winter street, between Washington and Tremont streets,
paved with large granite blocks on a concrete base with pitch
joints, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 503
feet; area, 1,146 square yards.

Labor	\$807 70
Teaming	1,231 00
Gravel	150 08
25,860 large granite blocks	1,810 20
336 feet flagging	194 88
131 feet edgestone and 1 large corner	86 82
Cement	22 00
Lumber	91 88
Masonry	210 00
Templets	9 60
Advertising	21 00
19,000 paving brick	185 25
Amount paid to H. Gore & Co. :	
185.3 cubic yards American cement, concrete base	\$926 50
1,141.4 square yards block paving with pitch joints	1,027 26
292 feet edgestone reset	23 36
181 square yards brick sidewalks relaid,	32 58
53.5 square yards block paving, gravel joints	13 38
Extra work as ordered	152 41
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	2,175 49
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	<u>\$6,995 90</u>

Work done by the Sewer Division	<u>\$879 77</u>
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 8.

Ashland street, between Chambers and Leverett streets, paved with gutter blocks, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 210 feet; area, 523 square yards.

Labor	\$590 60
Teaming	531 00
Gravel	141 00
15,100 gutter blocks	596 45
56 feet flagging	32 48
6,000 paving brick	57 00
35 feet edgestone	21 70
Masonry	24 50
Paving	236 28
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	\$2,231 01

Barton street

Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co., for work done under contract in 1895

\$96 41

Cotting street, between Leverett and Lowell streets, paved with small blocks, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid.

Labor	\$603 52
Teaming	451 50
Gravel	123 68
100.2 feet flagging	58 11
15,470 gutter-blocks	611 07
7,000 paving brick	66 50
35 feet edgestone	21 70
Paving	256 41
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	\$1,292 49

Lowell street, between Causeway and Brighton streets, paved with large blocks on a gravel base with pitch-joints, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 1,139 feet; area, 5,545 square yards.

Labor	\$4,039 65
Teaming	2,768 50
Gravel and sand	689 67
92,662 large granite blocks	4,417 57
424 feet flagging	249 42
218.2 feet edgestone	135 28
27 $\frac{5}{12}$ feet circular edgestone	36 77
40,000 paving brick	380 00
Masonry	87 50

Carried forward \$12,804 36

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$12,804 36
Cement	16 50
Advertising	26 64
Sundries	4 67
Amount paid to D. J. Kiley & Co. :	
5,752 square yards block paving, pitch-joints	\$5,176 80
1,933 feet edgestone set	154 64
1,272 square yards brick paving	228 96
86 square yards block paving, gravel-joints	21 50
Extra work, as ordered	40 25
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	5,622 15
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	<u>\$18,474 32</u>

Milton street repaired.

Labor	\$324 30
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Work done by the Sewer Division	<u>\$382 05</u>

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 9.**Acton street work unfinished.**

Labor	\$273 50
Teaming	267 00
Gravel and sand	21 20
Flagging	16 82
2,050 paving brick	20 50
Masonry	189 00
Advertising	9 50
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	<u>\$797 52</u>

East Dedham street, between Harrison avenue and Washington street, macadamized, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, gutters paved. Length, 512 feet; area, 1,934 square yards.

Labor	\$174 80
Teaming	1,315 00
Gravel	320 63
Stone	777 15
Steam roller	10 00
185 feet edgestone	114 70
320 feet flagging	185 60
17,500 paving brick	174 45
450 large blocks	24 75
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$3,097 08

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,097 08
Cement	22 00
Masonry	315 00
Advertising	5 40

Amount paid to Jones & Meehan:

1,023.7 feet edgestone set	\$153 56
721 square yards block paving	252 35
803.2 square yards brick paving	184 74
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	590 65
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	\$4,030 13
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Hamburg street, between Mystic street and Harrison avenue, asphalted, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 383 feet; area, 596 square yards.

Labor	\$351 10
Teaming	295 22
Gravel	17 16
59 feet edgestone	36 58
59 feet flagging	34 22
150 large blocks	8 25
6,300 paving bricks	63 00
Masonry	196 00
Templets	7 80
Advertising	12 00

Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co.:

5,864 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt with American cement concrete base	1,759 20
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\$2,780 53

Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co.	87 96
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\$2,692 57

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 9 \$2,680 57

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Wards 17 and 18 12 00

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Laconia street, between Harrison avenue and Washington street, asphalted, edgestone set, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 330 feet; area, 725 square yards.

Labor	\$1,247 65
Teaming	844 50
Gravel	91 70
350 feet edgestone	217 00
31 $\frac{4}{2}$ feet circular edgestone	40 73

Carried forward \$2,441 58

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,441 58
140 feet flagging	81 20
750 blocks	30 04
9,750 paving brick	97 50
Templets	21 60
Masonry	273 00
Advertising	17 50

Amount paid to Barber Asphalt Paving Co.:	
686.76 square yards Trinidad lake asphalt with binder and concrete base	2,060 28

\$5,022 70

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co.	103 01
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\$4,919 69

Meander street, between East Dedham and Malden streets,
asphalted, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length,
307 feet; area, 460 square yards.

Labor	\$310 50
Teaming	310 00
Gravel	14 27
175 large blocks	8 08
Edgestone	11 66
Flagging	14 50
4,300 paving brick	43 00
Masonry	147 00
Advertising	9 80

Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co.:	
417.2 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt with American cement, concrete base	1,251 60

\$2,120 41

Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co.	62 58
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\$2,057 83

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
ments, Ward 9 \$2,048 03

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
ments, Wards 17 and 18 9 80

\$2,057 83

Mystic street, between Malden and East Brookline streets,
asphalted, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length,
636 feet; area, 890 square yards.

Labor	\$843 75
Teaming	530 81
Gravel	46 81

Carried forward \$1,421 37

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,421 37
245 feet edgestone and 4 small corners	165 30
150 feet flagging	87 00
400 large blocks	19 30
5,050 paving brick	50 50
Masonry	210 00
Templets	7 80

Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co.:	
803.7 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt with American cement concrete base	\$2,411 10
11.9 cubic yards concrete base	59 50
	<hr/> 2,470 60
	<hr/> \$4,431 87
Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co.	123 53
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Norwich street, between Mystic and Meander streets, asphalted, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 221 feet; area, 344 square yards.

Labor	\$303 15
Teaming	262 50
Gravel	14 28
35 feet edgestone	21 70
30 feet flagging	17 40
4,050 paving brick	40 50
150 large blocks	8 25
Masonry	140 00

Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co.:	
339.4 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt with American cement concrete base	1,018 20
	<hr/> \$1,825 98
Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co.	50 91
	<hr/> \$1,775 07
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Taylor street, between Dwight and Milford streets, asphalted, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 196 feet; area, 262 square yards.

Labor	\$91 15
Teaming	58 50
400 paving brick	4 00
Gravel and sand	6 00
Masonry	102 00

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$261 65
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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$261 65
Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co.:	
257.2 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt on existing concrete base	514 40
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	\$776 05
Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co.	25 72
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	<u>\$750 33</u>

Union Park street, between Harrison avenue and Washington street, macadamized, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 460 feet; area, 1,007 square yards.

Labor	\$485 30
Teaming	392 00
Gravel	50 25
Stone	206 33
Flagging	9 28
10,700 paving brick	104 32
Masonry	245 00
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	<u>\$1,492 48</u>
Work done by the Sewer Division	<u>\$912 21</u>

STREET IMPROVEMENTS WARD 10.

Boylston street, between Dartmouth street and B. & A. R.R. bridge (southerly side), edgestone set, gutters paved, fence built, and

Exeter street, between Huntington avenue and Boylston street, filled, macadamized.

Labor	\$2,655 32
Teaming	1,734 50
Gravel	896 78
Filling	479 70
Stone	4,771 47
Steam roller	10 00
1,071 feet edgestone	664 02
Hardware	19 77
Lumber	299 88
Amount paid to William Higgins:	
1,302 feet edgestone set	\$104 16
800 feet edgestone reset	120 00
532 square yards block paving	133 00
267 square yards block paving	93 45
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	450 61

Carried forward \$11,982 05

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$11,982 05
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 10	\$3,698 91
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 11	3,822 59
Amount paid out of Paving Division	4,460 55
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	\$11,982 05

Columbus avenue.

Amount retained from H. Gore & Co., for work done under contract in 1895	\$719 00
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Dartmouth street, between Copley square and N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R., macadamized, edgestone relaid, gutters repaved, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 467 feet; area 1,764 square yards.

Labor	\$170 20
Teaming	237 00
Gravel	117 59
Stone	88 27
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	\$613 06

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 10	\$324 40
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 11	128 99
Amount paid out of Paving Division	159 67
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\$613 06

Holyoke street, macadamized, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 460 feet; area, 1,688 square yards.

Labor	\$302 00
Teaming	673 00
Gravel	190 11
Stone	356 78
Steam roller	25 00
2,000 paving bricks	20 00
Masonry	98 00
Advertising	18 00
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\$1,682 89

St. Botolph street, between Irvington street and Massachusetts avenue, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone set and reset, brick sidewalks laid and relaid, crossings laid and relaid. Length, 2,257 feet; area, 8,526 square yards.

Labor	\$895 85
Teaming	4,186 90

Carried forward \$5,082 75

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$5,082 75
Gravel and sand	4,249 66
Stone	3,226 00
Steam roller	200 00
Loam and sods	111 00
23,250 paving brick	357 75
6 large corners	33 60
300 feet flagging	174 00
Advertising	9 00

Amount paid to James Grant & Co.:

5,682.9 feet edgestone set	\$852 44	
2,668.5 square yards block paving	933 98	
610 feet fence curb set	122 00	
3,493 square yards brick paving	803 39	
108 square yards brick paving, herring-bone	49 68	
12.7 square yards brick paving, cement joints	6 35	
Extra work resetting iron fence and raising coal chutes	115 00	
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		2,882 84
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		\$16,326 60

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 10	\$14,713 35
Amount paid out of Paving Division,	1,613 25

\$16,326 60
Yarmouth street, macadamized, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 464 feet; area, 1,753 square yards.

Labor	\$280 60
Teaming	175 00
Stone	472 85
Masonry	7 00
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	\$935 45

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 10	\$761 62
Amount paid out of Paving Division	173 83

\$935 45

Work done by the Sewer Division \$1,024 82

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 11.

Arlington street, between Boylston and Marlborough streets, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 1,064 feet; area, 5,911 square yards.

Labor	\$1,160 67
Teaming	3,361 00
Gravel and sand	1,792 96
4,600 gutter blocks	181 70
289 feet flagging	167 62
10,000 paving bricks	135 00
Stone	1,961 03
Steam roller	190 00
Advertising	8 63

Amount paid to James Grant & Co.:

1,334.8 square yards block paving . .	\$467 18
2,064.5 feet edgestone set	309 68
3,120 square yards brick paving . . .	717 60
171 square yards flagging crossings . .	59 85
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	1,554 31
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	\$10,512 92

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 11 \$10,347 68

Amount paid out of Paving Division . .	165 24
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	\$10,512 92

Berkeley street, between Boylston and Beacon streets, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 1,325 feet; area, 5,889 square yards.

Labor	\$914 70
Teaming	1,646 00
Gravel	424 81
Stone	577 12
Steam roller	110 00
2,000 paving brick	20 00

Amount paid to James Grant & Co.:

714 feet edgestone set	\$57 12
649 square yards block paving	194 25
651 square yards brick paving	117 18
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	368 55
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	\$4,061 18

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 11 \$3,157 54

Amount paid out of Paving Division . .	903 64
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	\$4,061 18

Brimmer street.

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co. for work done under contract in 1895	\$490 80
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Brookline avenue.

Teaming	\$258 50
Gravel	133 76
Stone	39 60
Advertising	9 00

\$440 86

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
ments, Ward 11 \$267 50

Amount paid out of Paving Division 173 36

\$440 86

Charles street.

Amount retained from H. Gore & Co. for work
done under contract in 1895

\$25 49

Mt. Vernon street, between Charles and Willow streets, 125
square yards, repaved; 1,543 square yards macadamized,
edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, crossings relaid.

Labor	\$891 25
Teaming	454 50
Gravel	79 95
8,000 paving brick	76 00
Masonry	10 50

\$1,512 20

Pinckney street.

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co.
for work done under contract in 1895

\$106 50

Work done by the Sewer Division

\$752 37

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 12.

East Brookline street, between Harrison avenue and Wash-
ington street, macadamized, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks
relaid, gutters repaved. Length, 567 feet; area, 2,142 square
yards.

Labor	\$702 62
Teaming	979 50
Gravel and sand	273 92
50 feet flagging	29 00
20,640 paving bricks	201 24
Stone	683 28
Steam roller	60 00
Masonry	294 00

Carried forward \$3,223 56

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,223 56
Amount paid to Jones and Meehan:	
1,010 feet edgestone set	\$80 80
444 square yards block paving	111 00
931 square yards brick paving	167 58
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	\$359 38
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	\$3,582 94
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Massachusetts avenue, between Huntington avenue and St. Botolph street, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 259 feet; area, 1,727 square yards.

Labor	\$154 65
Teaming	66 00
Gravel and sand	128 58
Stone	295 77
Loam and sods	158 12
Paving	244 12
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	\$1,047 24
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Reed street, between Northampton and Hunneman streets, macadamized. Length, 1,205 feet; area, 3,036 square yards.

Labor	\$278 42
Teaming	738 50
Stone	1,405 93
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	\$2,417 85

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 12 \$1,775 20

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 17 642 65

\$2,417 85

West Brookline street, between Tremont and Washington streets, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 1,035 feet; area, 3,680 square yards.

Labor	\$309 38
Teaming	1,812 80
Gravel and sand	628 25
275 feet flagging	159 50
159 feet edgestone and 8 small corners	100 58
48,705 paving bricks	478 99
Stone	1,485 78
Steam roller	175 00
Masonry	511 00
Cement	11 00
Advertising	7 60
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Carried forward \$5,679 88

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$5,679 88
Amount paid to Chas. E. Barnes :	
1,473 feet edgestone set	\$265 14
433 square yards block paving	151 55
729 square yards brick paving	167 67
194 square yards brick paving, herring- bone	83 42
171 square yards excavation	17 10
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	684 88
Amount paid to Jones & Meehan :	
2,364.3 feet edgestone set	\$354 65
1,127 square yards block paving	394 45
95.8 square yards round paving	33 53
1,738.8 square yards brick paving	399 92
34.4 square yards brick paving, herring- bone on edge	18 92
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	1,201 47
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	\$7,566 23
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Work done by the Sewer Division	\$408 90
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 13.

Athens street.

Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Company for work done under contract in 1895	\$121 27
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Work done by the Bridge Division	\$3,582 15
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 14.

L street, between Ninth street and Broadway, macadamized,
gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid, cross-
ings laid. Length, 1,753 feet ; area, 6,622 square yards.

Labor	\$2,639 25
Teaming	755 50
Gravel	274 00
Stone	1,812 81
332 feet flagging	192 56
15,000 paving bricks	146 25
Advertising	35 25
Amount paid to William Higgins :	
2,079.4 feet edgestone set	\$166 35
169.2 square yards block paving	42 30
902 square yards round paving	225 50
1,584.8 square yards brick paving	285 27
84.5 square yards brick paving, herring- bone	30 42
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	749 84
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	\$6,605 46
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Work done by the Sewer Division . . . \$797 14

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 15.

East Fifth street, between G and H streets, macadamized.

Labor	\$385 25
Teaming	106 00
Gravel	75 00
Stone	320 63
	<u>\$886 88</u>

East Fourth street, between Linden and G streets, macadamized. Length, 171 feet; area, 646 square yards.

Labor	\$271 40
Teaming	141 50
Stone	287 26
Flagging	59 16
	<u>\$759 32</u>

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 15 . . . \$703 32

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 14 . . . 56 00

\$759 32

G street, between Dorchester and Fifth streets, macadamized. Length, 886 feet; area, 3,336 square yards.

Labor	\$724 50
Teaming	484 50
Stone	533 54
Advertising	8 40

\$1,750 94

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 15 . . . \$1,174 29

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 14 . . . 576 65

\$1,750 94

Old Harbor street, between Thomas park and Dorchester street, macadamized. Length, 520 feet; area, 1,964 square yards.

Labor	\$271 40
Teaming	442 00
Gravel	112 00
Stone	575 11
Advertising	18 00

\$1,418 51

Telegraph street, between Thomas park and Dorchester street, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, crossings relaid, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 926 feet; area, 3,070 square yards.

Labor	\$577 30
Teaming	121 50
Gravel	118 41
Stone	654 95
15,000 paving brick	146 25
Amount paid to J. B. O'Rourke	16 00
1,686.6 feet edgestone set	\$252 99
50.5 square yards block paving	17 68
709.1 square yards round paving	248 19
1,363.9 square yards brick paving	313 70
22.5 square yards brick paving, herring-bone	9 23
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	<u>\$3,258 24</u>

Thomas park, between Old Harbor and Atlantic streets, macadamized. Length, 300 feet; area, 1,000 square yards.

Labor	\$239 20
Teaming	27 00
Gravel	78 00
Stone	517 35
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	<u>\$861 55</u>

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 16.

East Cottage street, between N. Y. & N. E. R.R. and Dorchester avenue, macadamized, sidewalks gravelled, crossings laid. Length, 3,290 feet; area, 10,200 square yards.

Labor	\$956 80
Teaming	517 50
Gravel	455 40
Stone	3,142 76
Steam roller	240 00
200 feet flagging	116 00
Advertising	24 00
Paving	36 54
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	<u>\$5,489 00</u>

Dean street, between Howard avenue and Judson street, macadamized, gutters paved, edgestone laid, brick sidewalks laid. Length, 533 feet; area, 1,094 square yards.

Labor	\$133 40
Teaming	648 67
Gravel and sand	441 45
Stone	595 81

Amount paid to Chas. E. Barnes :

1,081 feet edgestone set	\$194 58
24 square yards block paving	9 60
367 square yards round paving	146 80
154 square yards brick paving	43 12
6 days, paver	\$30 00
24 days, labor	48 00
60 days, quarrying	150 00
80 days, grading and cleaning up	160 00
20 days, foreman	60 00
18 days, stonecutter	90 00
12½ days, mason	42 00
29 days, watchman	58 00
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Plus 15 per cent	95 70
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Dynamite and explosives	25 00
	<hr/> 1,152 80

\$2,972 13

Fairbury street, between Blue Hill avenue and Rand street,
macadamized, retaining-wall built.

Labor	\$142 60
Teaming	324 00
Stone	21 00
Building wall	68 04
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Leyland street, between East Cottage street and Burgess
street, macadamized, sidewalks built, one catch-basin built.
Length, 715 feet; area, 2,065 square yards.

Labor	\$414 00
Teaming	421 00
Gravel	42 24
Stone	1,282 09
Advertising	17 40
Steam-roller	100 00

\$2,276 73

Monadnock street, between Dudley and Bird streets, macadamized. (Work unfinished.) Length, 1,429 feet; area, 4,129 square yards.

Labor	\$193 20
Teaming	29 00
Stone	215 94
Steam-roller	50 00
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	<u>\$488 14</u>

Work done by the Sewer Division \$1,716 59

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 17.

Eustis street, between Dearborn and Magazine streets, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick side walks relaid, crossings relaid. Length, 1,976 feet; area, 5,762 square yards.

Labor	\$403 95
Teaming	1,519 00
Gravel and sand	1,467 90
Stone	2,405 33
Steam roller	210 00
48,000 paving brick	468 00
Advertising	44 40

Amount paid to Chas. E. Barnes:

4,010 feet edgestone set	\$721 80
1,431.7 square yards block paving	501 10
2,683.5 square yards brick paving	617 21
33.2 square yards brick paving, herring-bone	14 28
9.5 square yards brick paving, herring-bone on edge	5 23
152 square yards flagging laid	53 20

Extra work as ordered:

20 days, foreman, cleaning up and loading teams	\$60 00
122 $\frac{4}{5}$ days, labor, cleaning up and loading teams	244 88
20 days, mason, cementing joints	70 00
59 days, labor, grading	118 00
1 $\frac{3}{5}$ days, putting in retaining plank	2 67
$\frac{2}{3}$ days, fixing manholes	2 33
27 days, paver, repaving gutters and sidewalks	135 00

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$632 88	\$1,912 82	\$6,518 58
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<i>Brought forward</i> . . .	\$632 88	\$1,912 82	\$6,518 58
16 days paver, tender, gutters and sidewalks . . .	36 00		
27 days, paver laborer, gutters and sidewalks . . .	54 00		
23 days, stonecutter . . .	115 00		
92 days, labor, barring and ramming . . .	184 00		
13 days, watchman, lighting . . .	26 00		

\$1,047 88

Add 15 per cent . . .	157 17	1,205 05	
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\$3,117 87

\$9,636 45

Amount paid out of Street improvements, Ward 17 . . .	\$8,320 84		
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 12 . . .	777 87		
Amount paid out of Paving Division . . .	537 74		

\$9,636 45

Island street, between Hampden and Magazine streets, macadamized. Length, 708 feet; area, 2,045 square yards.

Labor	\$165 60
Teaming	222 00
Stone and stone screenings	1,820 53
Advertising	8 00

\$2,216 13

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 17 . . .	\$1,679 60		
Amount paid out of Paving Division . . .	536 53		

\$2,216 13

Magazine street, between Norfolk avenue and Swett street, graded, gutters paved. Length, 2,096 feet; area, 6,055 square yards.

Labor	\$1,051 10
Teaming	968 50
Gravel	97 02
Stone	65 31

\$2,181 93

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 17 . . .	\$1,426 62		
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Carried forward \$1,426 62 \$2,181 93

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,426 62	\$2,181 93
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 12	618 00	
Amount paid out of Paving Division	137 31	
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Marshfield street, resurfaced. Length, 837 feet; area 2,419 square yards.

Labor	\$438 15
Teaming	212 00
Gravel and sand	267 40
Paving	92 16

	<u>\$1,009 71</u>

Massachusetts avenue, between Swett and Albany streets, paved with large granite blocks, edgestone set, gravel sidewalks built. Length, 519 feet; area, 3,575 square yards.

Labor	\$1,926 69
Teaming	1,077 19
Gravel	2,072 30
850 feet flagging	493 00
44,533 large paving blocks	1,918 75
2,875 asphalt blocks	115 00
734 feet edgestone, 4 large and two small corners	484 18
10,500 paving bricks	102 50
Lumber	46 21
Masonry	42 00
Rent	80 00
Sundries	12 00
Advertising	18 00

Amount paid to Doherty & Connors:	
3,811 square yards block paving	\$952 75
1,065 feet edgestone set	85 20
124 square yards flagging laid	31 00

	1,068 95

	\$9,456 77

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
ments, Ward 17 \$8,609 64

Amount paid out of Street Improve-
ments, Ward 12 660 55

Amount paid out of Paving Division	186 58	
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Pontine street, sidewalks made.

Teaming	\$10 00
Screenings	58 50

Carried forward \$68 50

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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$68 50
Gravel and sand	204 70
Paving	50 67
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	\$323 87
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Work done by the Sewer Division	\$1,609 32
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 18.

Linden Park street, between Tremont and Cabot streets, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid.

Labor	\$220 80
Teaming	1,125 00
Gravel and sand	1,225 95
Stone	568 50
12,000 paving bricks	117 00
Advertising	10 40
Amount paid to Chas. E. Barnes :	
2,496 feet edgestone set	\$449 28
706 square yards block paving	247 10
408 square yards round paving	142 80
1,046 square yards brick	240 58
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	1,079 76
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	\$4,347 41
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Tremont street (at Cabot street), repaved.

Gravel and sand	\$190 10
Paving	298 55
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	\$488 65
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Washington street, between Roxbury and Eustis streets, repaved, crossings reset. Length, 1,200 feet ; area, 5,333 square yards.

Labor	\$173 70
Teaming	518 00
Gravel and sand	1,039 35
Amount paid to Chas. E. Barnes :	
112 feet, edgestone set	\$20 16
5,374 square yards block paving	1,880 90
99 square yards brick paving	22 77
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,923 83
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	\$1,731 05

<i>Brought forward</i> . . .	\$1,923 83	\$1,731 05
Extra work as ordered, resetting cross-ings, loading and unloading teams, cleaning up, etc.		
40 days, foreman . . .	\$126 00	
36 days, paver . . .	180 00	
18 days, rammer . . .	40 50	
56 days, laborer . . .	112 00	
140 days, laborer . . .	280 00	
41 days, stonecutter . . .	205 00	
46 days, watchman . . .	92 00	
Furnishing electric lights . . .	10 00	
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Add 15 per cent . . .	156 83	
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Work done by the Sewer Division . . .		\$920 49
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 19.

Smith street, between Parker street and Huntington avenue, macadamized, gutters paved, edgestone reset, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 1,750 feet; area, 5,055 square yards.

Labor	\$821 41
Teaming	1,528 00
Gravel and sand	1,653 60
Stone	2,304 33
Steam roller	160 00
20,000 paving brick	195 00
127 feet flagging	73 66
350 gutter blocks	19 25
Masonry	14 00
Advertising	19 50

Amount paid to Thomas O'Leary:

3,300.1 feet edgestone set . . .	\$264 01	
637.2 square yards block paving . .	159 30	
1,041 square yards round paving . .	260 25	
1890.6 square yards brick paving . .	340 31	
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		1,023 87
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		\$7,812 62
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Wait street, repaired.

Labor	\$23 00
Teaming	86 00
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Work done by the Sewer Division . . .	\$1,500 20
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 20.

Blue Hill avenue, between Warren and Savin streets, resurfaced.

Labor	\$167 20
Teaming	304 50
Gravel	227 60
Stone	582 83
Steam roller	20 00
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	\$1,302 13
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Charles street, between Ditson street and Geneva avenue, and between Ditson street and Dorchester avenue, macadamized, sidewalks repaired. Length, 1,390 feet; area, 4,015 square yards.

Labor	\$1,200 60
Teaming	994 00
Gravel	142 56
Stone	640 32
Advertising	9 20
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	\$2,986 68
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Faulkner street, between Dorchester avenue and Freeman street, macadamized. Length, 509 feet; area, 1,301 square yards.

Labor	\$142 60
Teaming	155 00
Gravel	104 28
Stone	586 54
Advertising	27 00
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	\$1,015 42
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Freeport street, between Dorchester avenue and Pleasant street, macadamized, gutters repaved, edgestone reset, crossings relaid, brick sidewalks relaid. Length, 750 feet; area, 3,300 square yards.

Labor	\$1,065 40
Teaming	510 00
Gravel	432 96
Stone	1,632 19
Steam roller	130 00
230 feet flagging	133 40
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$3,903 95

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,903 95
Amount paid to James Dolan & Co.:	
1,416 feet edgestone set	\$113 28
88.5 square yards block paving	22 13
672.4 square yards round paving	168 10
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	\$4,207 46
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Geneva avenue, between Bowdoin and Columbia streets, macadamized, edgestone set. Length, 2,062 feet; area, 5,536 square yards.

Labor	\$818 55
Teaming	593 70
Gravel	314 16
Stone	2,005 57
153 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet edgestone	199 35
Paving	31 26
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	\$3,962 57
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Hartland street, between Sydney and Saxton streets, macadamized. Length, 319 feet; area, 922 square yards.

Labor	\$110 40
Teaming	85 48
Gravel	38 28
Stone	560 18
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	\$794 34
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Mayfield street, between Pleasant and Bakersfield streets, macadamized, gutters paved. Length, 407 feet; area, 1,174 square yards.

Labor	\$262 20
Teaming	270 00
Gravel	105 60
Stone	404 90
Paving	93 81
Advertising	10 60
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	\$1,147 11
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Romsey street, between Dorchester avenue and Sydney street, macadamized, filled, gutters paved, sidewalks repaired. Length, 1,546 feet; area, 4,466 square yards.

Labor	\$648 60
Teaming	413 50
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,062 10

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,062 10
Gravel	198 00
Stone	1,216 64
Steam-roller	110 00
Paving	111 41
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	\$2,698 15
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Sagamore street, resurfaced.

Gravel	\$22 44
Stone	528 04
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	\$550 48
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Salcombe street, between Stoughton street and Cushing avenue, excavated, filled, edgestone set, gutters paved, sidewalks constructed, 4 catch-basins built. Length, 735 feet; area, 1,961 square yards.

Labor	\$783 37
Teaming	645 69
Gravel	195 36
Stone	238 34
Lumber	17 50
Advertising	9 00

Amount paid to James Dolan :

1,481 feet edgestone set	\$222 15
494.1 square yards block paving	172 94
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	\$2,284 35
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School street, between Harvard and Washington streets, resurfaced.

Labor	\$41 40
Teaming	60 00
Gravel	52 80
Stone	228 32
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	\$382 52
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Washington street, between Bowdoin street and Talbot avenue, resurfaced. Length, 3,300 feet; area, 14,667 square yards; between Brent and Ashmont streets (northerly side), and opposite estate of Dorchester Baptist Temperance Church, widened, excavated, filled, sub-graded, rock cutting, edgestone set, gutters paved, brick sidewalks laid; corner Walton and Roslin streets. Length, 1,236 feet; area, 1,785 square

yards; between Brent and Ashmont streets (one-half street), Telford base, macadamized. Length, 1,236 feet; area, 5,493 square yards; corner Brent and Washington streets, retaining-wall constructed.

Labor	\$2,346 83
Teaming	1,934 28
Gravel and sand	420 39
Stone	1,536 67
100 feet flagging	58 00
270 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet edgestone	189 24
92 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet circular edgestone	120 02
Crossing blocks	250 00
Powder and fuse	32 79
Laying steps	76 00
Paving	159 52

\$7,123 74

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 20 \$2,422 93

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 24 4,700 81

\$7,123 74

Work done by the Bridge Division \$43 72

Work done by the Sewer Division \$1,202 14

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 21.

Crawford street, macadamized. Length, 3,560 feet; area, 10,285 square yards.

Labor	\$1,338 99
Teaming	1,890 59
Gravel	923 55
Stone	2,407 88
Paving	73 32
Advertising	7 40

\$6,641 73

Holborn street, macadamized, gutters relaid. Length, 1,185 feet; area, 3,423 square yards.

Labor	\$174 80
Teaming	477 00
Gravel	330 50

\$982 30

Howland street, between Humboldt and Elm Hill avenues, macadamized, edgestone reset, gutters repaved, brick sidewalks laid. Length, 2,022 feet; area, 5,842 square yards.

Labor	\$778 55
Teaming	1,099 69
Gravel and sand	575 65
Stone	921 98
Steam-roller	10 00
Edgestone	26 54

Amount paid to Austin Ford & Son :

63.2 feet edgestone set	\$9 48
21 square yards block paving	7 35
102 square yards brick paving	23 46
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Amount paid to John McCourt:

1,072 feet edgestone set	\$192 96
527.4 square yards block paving	184 59
770.9 square yards brick paving	177 31
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\$4,007 56

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 21

Amount paid out of Paving Division

\$3,733 21

274 35

\$4,007 56

Maywood street (unfinished work from 1895).

Teaming	\$177 50
Gravel	106 75
Paving	34 48

\$318 73

Ruthven street, macadamized. Length, 2,287 feet; area, 7,582 square yards.

Labor	\$266 80
Teaming	967 88
Gravel	336 80
Stone	448 50
Paving	84 91

\$2,104 89

Sherman street, macadamized, gutters paved, crossings laid. Length, 1,238 feet; area, 3,165 square yards.

Labor	\$278 30
Teaming	610 00

Carried forward \$888 30

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$888 30
Gravel and sand	218 90
Stone	569 35
180 feet flagging	104 40
600 gutter blocks	28 35
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	\$1,809 30
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 21	\$1,562 78
Amount paid out of Paving Division	246 52
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	\$1,809 30

Walnut avenue, macadamized. Length, 5,572 feet; area, 21,976 square yards.

Labor	\$407 70
Teaming	955 50
Gravel and sand	588 25
Stone	1,943 61
Steam roller	60 00
Paving	56 43
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	\$4,011 49

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 21	\$3,820 59
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 22	190 90
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	\$4,011 49

Work done by the Sewer Division	\$1,262 36
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 22.

Bickford street, edgestone set, sidewalks gravelled.

Labor	\$43 70
Teaming	374 50
Gravel	84 00
Paving	98 64
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	\$600 84

Boylston street, between Washington street and Boylston avenue, macadamized. Length, 1,292 feet; area, 3,732 square yards.

Labor	\$234 60
Teaming	220 67
Gravel	94 45
Stone	285 29

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$835 01
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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$835 01
Paving	372 34
Advertising	7 60

\$1,214 95

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 22	\$929 66
Amount paid out of Paving Division	285 29

\$1,214 95

Bromley park, crossings laid.

Labor	\$13 80
150 feet flagging	92 22
Paving	43 23

\$149 25

Bromley street, repaired.

Teaming	\$87 00
Sand and gravel	78 50
50 feet flagging	29 00

\$194 50

Burroughs street, sidewalks repaired.

Stone dust	\$88 75
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Creighton street, between Day and Sunnyside streets, macadamized, gutters paved, crossings laid, edgestone set. Length, 825 feet; area, 2,383 square yards.

Labor	\$291 38
Teaming	1,052 65
Gravel	843 50
Stone	1,953 94
Steam roller	140 00
304 feet flagging	176 32

Amount paid to Chas. E. Barnes :

412 feet edgestone set	\$74 16
26.8 square yards block paving	9 38
509 square yards barrel gutters paved	229 05

312 59

\$4,770 38

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 22	\$4,316 21
Amount paid out of Paving Division	454 17

\$4,770 38

Green street, sidewalks repaired.

Stone dust	\$142 50
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Lamartine street, between Green and Paul Gore streets, macadamized, edgestone reset, gutters repaved, crossings relaid.
Length, 2,608 feet; area, 6,673 square yards.

Labor	\$565 22
Teaming	1,080 50
Gravel	316 25
Stone	1,345 87
Steam roller	20 00
70 feet flagging	40 25
Advertising	14 40

Amount paid to James Dolan:

53 square yards block paving	\$18 55	
49 days, pavers	220 50	
43 days, rammers	107 50	
90 days, tenders	202 50	
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		\$3,931 54

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 22 \$3,876 41
Amount paid out of Paving Division 55 13

\$3,931 54

Work done by the Sewer Division \$811 96

STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 23.

Ashfield street, repaired.

Teaming	\$135 00
Gravel	378 00
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	\$513 00

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 23 \$135 00
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 22 378 00

\$513 00

Baker street, between Centre and Spring streets, resurfaced.
Length, 2,250 feet; area, 6,500 square yards.

Labor	\$135 15
Teaming	76 50
Gravel	206 10
Stone	1,346 36
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	\$1,764 11

Canterbury street, between Morton street and Ashland street, resurfaced. Length, 8,340 feet; area, 21,300 square yards.

Labor	\$1,076 40
Teaming	2,292 00
Gravel	2,873 60
Stone	1,920 00
Paving	91 25
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	\$8,253 25

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 23	\$6,522 25
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 22	1,117 50
Amount paid out of Paving Division	613 50
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	\$8,253 25

Centre street, between Spring street and Dedham line, resurfaced. Length, 7,846 feet; area, 30,002 square yards.

Labor	\$1,660 95
Teaming	971 02
Gravel and sand	492 20
Filling	2,173 00
Stone	4,959 01
Steam roller	50 00
Paving	211 78
Sundries	25 61
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	\$10,543 57

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 23	\$6,080 15
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 22	3,164 35
Amount paid out of Paving Division	1,299 07
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	\$10,543 57

Conway street, repaired.

Teaming	\$150 00
Gravel	274 75
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	\$424 75

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 23	\$150 00
Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 22	274 75
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	\$424 75

Corey street, between Weld and Montview streets, resurfaced.

Length, 1,300 feet; area, 3,756 square yards.

Labor	\$124 20
Teaming	209 00
Gravel	66 60
Stone	1,260 34
Paving	147 70

 \$1,807 84

 Amount paid out of Street Improve-
 ments, Ward 23 \$547 50

 Amount paid out of Street Improve-
 ments, Ward 22 1,031 27

Amount paid out of Paving Division 229 07

 \$1,807 84
Fairview street, resurfaced.

Labor	\$78 20
Teaming	217 50
Gravel	260 75

 \$556 45
Hastings street, between Centre and Montview streets, resurfaced, gutters paved. Length, 1,152 feet; area, 3,329 square yards.

Labor	\$660 10
Teaming	820 00
Gravel	357 30
Stone	1,178 57
Steam roller	110 00
Paving	252 50
Advertising	28 20

 \$3,406 67

 Amount paid out of Street Improve-
 ments, Ward 23 \$3,239 67

 Amount paid out of Street Improve-
 ments, Ward 22 167 00

 \$3,406 67
Hewlett street, between Centre and Walter streets, resurfaced. Length, 1,677 feet; area, 4,880 square yards.

Labor	\$523 40
Teaming	530 50
Gravel	124 20
Stone	873 56
Steam roller	50 00
Advertising	6 00

Carried forward \$2,107 66

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,107 66
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 23	\$1,112 10
Amount paid out of Paving Division	995 56
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	\$2,107 66

Hyde Park avenue, between Forest Hills and Mt. Hope streets, resurfaced.

Stone	\$1,388 14
Teaming	9 50
Gravel	16 20
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	\$1,413 84

Morton street, between Washington and Harvard streets, re-surfaced. Length, 7,740 feet; area, 24,444 square yards.

Labor	\$836 12
Teaming	1,339 50
Gravel	359 10
Stone	7,486 49
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	\$10,021 21

Keyes street, between Forest Hills street and railroad, re-surfaced. Length, 1,920 feet; area, 5,547 square yards.

Labor	\$177 70
Teaming	428 50
Gravel	51 30
Stone	1,193 00
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	\$1,850 50

Ruskin street, between Corey and Weld streets. Length, 545 feet; area, 1,574 square yards.

Labor	\$73 60
Teaming	209 00
Gravel	45 00
Rock excavating	150 75
Paving	171 85
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	\$650 20

Sycamore street, repaired.

Teaming	\$225 00
Gravel	153 90
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	\$378 90

Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 23	\$133 00
Amount paid out of Paving Division	245 90
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\$378 90

Temple street, between Ivory and Mt. Vernon streets, resurfaced. Length, 2,300 feet; area, 7,645 square yards.

Labor	\$377 20
Teaming	526 00
Gravel	39 60
Stone	508 14
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	\$1,450 94

Vermont avenue, entire length, resurfaced. Length, 1,442 feet; area, 4,306 square yards.

Labor	\$581 90
Teaming	347 50
Stone	42 08
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	\$971 48

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 23 \$800 90

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 22 170 58

\$971 48

Walk Hill street, between Harvard street and Mt. Hope Cemetery entrance, resurfaced. Length, 1,000 feet; area, 2,889 square yards.

Labor	\$239 20
Teaming	530 50
Stone	502 50
Gravel	343 20
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	\$1,615 40

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 23 \$769 70

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 22 706 50

Amount paid out of Paving Division 139 20

\$1,615 40

Washington street, Lagrange street to Dedham line, repaired. Length, 7,415 feet; area, 32,846 square yards.

Labor	\$2,796 73
Teaming	2,373 13
Gravel	554 40
138 feet flagging	80 04
Stone	5,705 30
Steam roller	90 00
Advertising	4 50
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Carried forward \$11,604 10

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$11,604 10
Amount paid to James Dolan :	
65 days, paver	\$292 50
51 days, rammer	127 50
108 days, tender	243 00
372.3 feet edgestone set	29 78
124.5 square yards block paving	31 13
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	\$12,328 01
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 23	\$8,787 86
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 22	3,540 15
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	\$12,328 01
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Weld street , between Arnold and Ruskin streets, resurfaced. Length, 1,600 feet; area, 3,556 square yards.	
Labor	\$161 00
Teaming	610 50
Stone	3,122 97
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	\$3,894 47
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 23	\$1,673 06
Amount paid out of Street Improve- ments, Ward 22	1,457 55
Amount paid out of Paving Division	763 86
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	\$3,894 47
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Work done by the Sewer Division	\$2,341 56
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 24.

Adams street , between Dorchester avenue and O. C. R.R., re- surfaced.	
Labor	\$64 40
Teaming	62 50
Stone	235 14
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	\$362 04
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Ashmont street , between Adams and Wrentham streets, re- surfaced, gutters paved, sidewalks gravelled. Length, 990 feet; area, 3,080 square yards.	
Labor	\$220 80
Teaming	219 00
Gravel	93 72
Paving	81 55
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	\$615 07
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Norfolk street, between Morton and Walk Hill streets, macadamized, sidewalks constructed. Length, 2,392 feet; area, 7,973 square yards.

Labor	\$1,037 71
Teaming	1,980 00
Gravel	680 30
Stone	4,421 86
Drain pipe	40 80
Lumber	15 81
Advertising	6 80

\$8,183 28

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 24	\$7,963 92
Amount paid out of Paving Division	219 36

\$8,183 28

Oakland street, between River street and N. Y. & N. E. R.R., constructed, excavated, filled, rock-cutting, sub-graded, macadamized. Length 1,290 feet; area 4,300 square yards.

Labor	\$1,353 43
Teaming	720 50
Gravel	274 56
Stone	1,104 73

\$3,453 22

Work done by the Sewer Division	\$7,904 94
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STREET IMPROVEMENTS, WARD 25.

Bigelow street, between Faneuil and Brooks streets, sub-graded, gutters paved, crossings laid, sidewalks built. Length, 3,010 feet; area, 9,336 square yards.

Labor	\$2,338 33
Teaming	2,888 00
Gravel	4,586 60
Stone	160 05
Flagging	39 12
Gutter blocks	7 90

Amount paid to James Grant & Co :	
163 feet edgestone set	\$13 04
3,035.8 square yards block paving	758 95

771 99

\$10,791 99

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 25	\$4,435 63
Amount paid out of Paving Division	6,35 366

\$10,791 99

Linden street, between Brighton and Commonwealth avenues, resurfaced, edgestone set, gutters paved. Length, 630 feet; area, 1,820 square yards.

Labor	\$103 26
Teaming	62 50
Gravel	42 50
Stone	199 80
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	\$408 06

Market street, between Western avenue and Washington street, resurfaced, crossings laid and relaid. Length, 4,963 feet; area, 26,358 square yards.

Labor	\$189 75
Teaming	419 50
Gravel	166 60
Stone	326 17
Flagging	43 50
Paving	23 75
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	\$1,169 27

Reedsdale street, between Brighton and Commonwealth avenues, resurfaced. Length, 621 feet; area, 2,070 square yards.

Teaming	\$112 50
Gravel	47 60
Stone	246 45
Steam roller	50 00
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	\$456 55

Rockland street, between Washington street and Chestnut Hill avenue, macadamized. Length, 680 feet; area, 1,889 square yards.

Labor	\$148 35
Teaming	174 00
Gravel	42 50
Stone	435 60
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	\$800 45

Amount paid out of Street Improvements, Ward 25	\$148 35
Amount paid out of Paving Division	652 10

\$800 45

Tremont street, repaired.

Labor	\$80 50
Teaming	50 00
Stone	28 05
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	\$158 55

Work done by the Sewer Division	\$500 00
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BLUE HILL AND OTHER AVENUES.

Blue Hill avenue, construction.

Labor, including engineering and inspection	\$22,416 42
Teaming	4,139 72
290,810 gutter blocks	11,486 99
1,751 $\frac{9}{12}$ feet edgestone	1,074 93
12 small corners	40 20
7 large corners	39 20
1,317 $\frac{9}{12}$ feet circular edgestone	1,713 09
Gravel	223 08
Stone	17,486 61
Steam roller	313 75
Lumber	432 57
Hardware, tools, etc.	18 85
Fuel	37 15
Printing	152 34
Advertising	248 18
Rent of office	204 00
Wharfage on blocks	504 60
Shanties, carting and furnishing	372 59
Engineer's expenses	437 36
Sundries	166 91

Amount paid to J. McDonald (Section 1) :

3,728.72 cubic yards rock excavation, at \$1.35	\$5,033 77
2,030.84 cubic yards rock hauled, at 25 cents	507 71

	\$5,541 48
Less amount paid in 1895	459 00

5,082 48

Amount paid to Davern & Cronin (Sections
2 and 3) :

6,989.36 cubic yards sub-grading, at 44 cents	\$3,075 32
5,995.30 square yards Telford base hauled and placed, at 20 cents	1,199 06
5,995 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 6 cents	359 70
585.9 square yards granite block gutters furnished and laid, at \$2.50	1,464 75
1,428 cubic yards loam hauled and placed, at 30 cents	428 40
627.6 feet edgestone furnished and set, at \$1.75	1,098 30

Carried forward \$7,625 53 \$66,591 02

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$7,625 53	\$66,591 02
4,081.9 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 15 cents	612 29	
45.5 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$5.00	227 50	
2,091.8 cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$2.00	4,183 60	
Removing trees, etc.	10 00	
17 covers reset, at \$3.00	51 00	
356 square yards old gutters relaid, at \$1.00	356 00	
2,103.8 feet edgestone (old, reset), at \$1.25	2,629 75	
Extra work as ordered: filling and grading settlement in gas and sewer trenches:		
27 days, foreman, at \$3.00	\$8 31	
29 days labor, at \$1.75	50 75	
2 days double team, at \$5.00	10 00	
1½ days single team, at \$3.00	4 50	
Fence at park—stock and labor	5 00	
8 double loads gravel, at \$1.70	13 60	
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	\$135 71	
Plus 15 per cent	20 36	
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	\$15,851 74	
Credit by 10¼ days steam road roller, at \$15.00	153 75	
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	\$15,697 99	
Less amount paid in 1895	2,927 74	
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		12,770 25
Amount paid to Collins & Ham (parts of Sec- tions 3, 4 and 5):		
12,481.46 cubic yards earth excavation, at 99 cents	\$12,356 65	
54 cubic yards rock excavation, at 50 cents	27 00	
Removing trees, etc.	50 00	
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		12,433 65
Amount paid to Collins & Ham (parts of Sec- tions 3, 4 and 5):		
23,867 cubic yards earth excavation, at 37½ cents	\$8,950 13	
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$8,950 13	\$91,794 92

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$8,950 13	\$91,794 92
27 cubic yards boulders broken and piled, at $37\frac{1}{2}$ cents	10 13	
70 cubic yards extra haul, at 20 cents	14 00	
1,594 cubic yards loam rehailed, etc., at 44 cents	701 36	
Removing trees, etc.	100 00	
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	\$9,775 62	
Less amount paid in 1895	2,709 38	
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Amount paid Collins & Ham (Sections 6 and 7 and parts of 5 and 8):		
9,870.6 cubic yards earth excavation, at 42 cents	\$4,145 65	
77 cubic yards stone broken and hauled, at 75 cents	57 75	
17,495.5 cubic yards rock excavation, at 90 cents	15,745 95	
Removing trees, etc.	75 00	
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Amount paid to J. D. Gennaro (Sections 9 and 10, and 8 and 11):		
22,605.37 cubic yards earth excavation, at 33 cents	\$7,572 80	
221.80 cubic yards rock excavation, at \$1.10	243 98	
Removing trees, etc.	25 00	
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	\$7,841 78	
Less amount paid in 1895	939 68	
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Amount paid to H. P. Nawn (Sections 11, 12 and 13):		
31,879 cubic yards earth excavation, at 34 cents	\$10,838 86	
105.5 cubic yards rock excavation, at \$1.30	137 15	
Removing trees, etc.	50 00	
2 days labor, removing trees, at \$1.75; plus 15 per cent	4 03	
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	\$11,030 04	
Less amount paid in 1895	1,097 35	
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Amount paid to Davern & Cronin (Sections 14 and 15):		
3,517 cubic yards earth excavation, at 44 cents	\$1,547 48	
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,547 48	\$135,720 30

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,547 48	\$135,720 30
9,322 cubic yards rock excavation, at \$1.00	9,322 00	
Removing trees, etc.	25 00	
236 cubic yards stone, broken and hauled, at 60 cents	141 60	
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Amount paid to D. E. Lynch (between Washington and Seaver streets):		
2,661.7 cubic yards sub-grading, at 40 cents	\$1,064 68	
8,714.5 square yards Telford base hauled and placed, at 31 cents	2,701 50	
9,346.5 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 15 cents	1,401 98	
1,928 square yards block gutters laid, at 65 cents	1,253 20	
2,492.6 feet edgestone set, at 29 cents	722 85	
2,576 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 30 cents	772 80	
34.8 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.50	156 60	
20 cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$1.75	35 00	
25 covers reset, at \$3.00.	75 00	
32.8 square yards crossings (old, relaid), at \$1.50	49 20	
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Amount paid to Doherty & Connors (Lauriat avenue to Walk Hill street):		
1,433 cubic yards sub-grading, at 27 cents	\$386 91	
10,564 square yards Telford base, hauled and placed, at 14 cents	1,478 96	
10,663 square yards macadam (unfinished), at 24 cents	2,559 12	
3,102 square yards block gutters, hauled and laid, at 55 cents	1,706 10	
3,123 square yards loam, hauled and placed, at 10 cents	312 30	
260 feet edgestone, hauled and set, at 25 cents	65 00	
3,420 square yards gravel sidewalks, furnished and laid, at 20 cents	684 00	
71.06 square yards flagging crossings, at \$4.35	309 11	
621 cubic yards gravel furnished, at 60 cents	372 60	
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$7,874 10	\$154,989 19

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$7,874 10	\$154,989 19
952 feet 6-inch drain furnished and laid, at 51 cents	485 52	
26 covers reset, at \$3.00	78 00	
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	\$8,437 62	
Less 3,762 cubic yards filling taken to Lauriat avenue	1,279 08	
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Amount paid to H. P. Nawn (Canter- bury street to Lauriat avenue):		
1,219 cubic yards sub-grading, at 40 cents	\$487 60	
11,436.5 square yards Telford base, fur- nished and placed, at 40 cents	4,574 60	
600 square yards Telford base hauled and placed, at 15 cents	90 00	
11,689 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 39½ cents	4,617 16	
3,719.7 square yards block gutters hauled and placed, at 61 cents	2,269 02	
3,826 square yards loam hauled and placed, at 9 cents	344 34	
2,388 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 20 cents	477 60	
94.3 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.50	424 35	
50.5 cubic yards gravel, furnished, at \$1.00	50 50	
48 covers reset, at \$3.00	144 00	
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		\$175,626 90
Amount retained from Davern & Cro- nin	\$784 90	
Amount retained from D. E. Lynch	1,234 92	
Amount retained from Doherty & Con- ners	1,265 64	
Amount retained from H. P. Nawn	2,021 88	
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		\$170,319 56
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Columbus avenue, constructing:		
Labor, including engineering and inspection	\$27,774 29	
Teaming	24,154 29	
134,344 gutter blocks	5,606 76	
7,916½ feet edgestone	4,908 08	
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$62,443 42	

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$62,443 42
967 feet circular edgestone	1,257 10
22 small corners	73 70
6 large corners	33 60
2,401 feet flagging	1,392 58
676,000 paving brick	6,471 37
Filling	14,973 00
Gravel	2,494 00
Sand	3,043 70
Stone	3,709 10
Steam roller	30 00
Lumber	125 45
Hardware, tools, etc.	111 50
Fuel	1 17
Printing	17 50
Advertising	223 70
Shanty and furnishing	88 55
Repairs at Police Station No. 10	345 67
Repairs at New England Hospital	364 07
Tearing down buildings	330 00
Engineer's expenses	523 69
Sundries	84 00

Amount paid to Turnbull & Ryan :

Furnishing materials and building bulkhead	727 00
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Amount paid to Neal & Preble :

Alterations on fence and moving flag-staff, as per estimate ; digging and filling in trench for water-pipe, and repairing paving in yard of George Putnam School	\$1,336 00
156 hours labor, at 32 cents	49 92
52 hours, mason, at 50 cents	26 00
350 paving brick	4 90
$\frac{1}{2}$ barrel cement	87
1 load sand	1 75
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	1,419 44

Amount paid to Philip Doherty :

16,474 feet edgestone set	907 60
6,545 square yards brick paving laid	850 84
910 square yards flagging crossings	163 80
8 square yards gutters paved	2 00
76 days labor, at \$1.75	\$133 00
Plus 15 per cent	19 95
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	152 95
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	2,077 19

Amount paid to H. Gore & Co. :

2,875 asphalt blocks	\$316 25
4,528 square yards block paving laid	1,132 00
733.2 square yards brick paving laid	131 98

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,580 23	\$102,360 50
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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,580 23	\$102,360 50
1,333 feet edgestone set	106 64	
209 square yards flagging crossings laid,	52 25	
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Amount paid to Joseph D. Gennaro :		
11,634 cubic yards earth excavation, at 32 cents	\$3,722 88	
2,540 cubic yards rock excavation, at \$1.29	3,276 60	
Removing trees, etc.	25 00	
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Amount paid to Neil McBride :		
10,986.7 cubic yards gravel filling, at 99 cents		10,876 83
Amount paid to Collins & Ham :		
5,400 cubic yards sub-grading, at 45 cents	\$2,430 00	
7,618 square yards Telford base hauled and placed, at 15½ cents	1,161 75	
7,816 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 5½ cents	429 88	
1,330 square yards block gutters laid, at 30 cents	399 00	
3,555 feet edgestone set, at 14 cents	497 70	
3,526 square yards brick sidewalks laid, at 53 cents	1,868 78	
19 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 30 cents	5 70	
260.8 square yards flagging crossings, furnished and laid, at \$5.25	1,369 20	
2½ cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$1.75,	4 08	
204 cubic yards gravel furnished, at 50 cents	102 00	
Removing trees, etc.	325 00	
16 covers reset, at \$3.00	48 00	
80 square yards gutters (old, relaid), at 30 cents	24 00	
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Amount paid to Barber Asphalt Paving Co. :		
20,433.6 square yards Trinidad lake asphalt pavement with concrete base and binder, at \$2.90	\$59,257 44	
866.6 cubic yards concrete base (extra depth), at \$5.00	4,333 00	
Extra work making extra excavations and truing sub-grade of roadways :		
80 hours, foreman, at 50 cents, \$40 00		

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$40 00	\$63,590 44	\$130,666 02
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Brought forward . . \$40 00 \$63,590 44 \$130,666 02
 1,205½ hours labor, at 20 cents, 241 10
 18 hours, water boy, at 10 cents, 1 80

\$282 90

Add 15 per cent . . 42 44

325 34

63,915 78

Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co. :
 5,323 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt with American cement concrete base, at \$2.90 . . .

15,436 70

\$210,018 50

Amount retained from Collins & Ham . \$433 25

Amount retained from Barber Asphalt Paving Co. 3,388 26

Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co. 771 84

4,593 35

\$205,425 15

Commonwealth avenue, construction.

Labor, including engineering and inspection . . \$5,815 47

Teaming 1,937 50

191,693 gutter blocks 7,571 88

Gravel 52 70

Advertising 138 83

Fuel 8 08

Printing 45 49

Stone 5,251 92

Steam roller 300 00

Engineer's expense 128 56

Sundries 11 20

Amount paid to H. P. Nawn :

198.2 cubic yards rock excavation, at \$1.75 . . 346 85

Amount paid to Neil McBride :

10,300 cubic yards earth excavation, at 33 cents \$3,399 00

6,365 cubic yards rock excavation, at \$1.29 8,210 85

Removing trees, etc. 50 00

896.3 tons stone, broken and hauled, at 65 cents 582 60

\$12,242 45

Less payments made in 1895 . . 755 23

11,487 22

Carried forward \$33,095 70

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$33,095 70
Amount paid to John A. Whittemore's Sons :	
4,700 cubic yards sub-grading, at 25 cents	\$1,175 00
22,218 square yards Telford base placed, etc., at 15 cents	3,332 70
22,750 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 15 cents	3,412 50
6,650 square yards block gutters hauled and laid, at 69 cents	4,588 50
13,208 square yards loam, hauled and placed, at 9 cents	1,188 72
7,250 square yards gravel sidewalks, furnished and laid, at 18 cents	1,305 00
340 cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$1.00	340 00
955 cubic yards loam hauled and stored at 20 cents	191 00
3,135 tons stone, broken and hauled to crusher, at 30 cents	940 50
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	16,473 92
Amount paid to John A. Whittemore's Sons:	
621 cubic yards wall, at \$12.50	\$1,552 50
20 cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$1.00	20 00
279 cubic yards earth excavation, at 30 cents	83 70
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	1,656 20
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	\$51,225 82
Work done by the Bridge Division	874 00
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	\$52,099 82
Amount retained from John A. Whittemore's Sons,	2,471 09
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	\$49,628 73
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Huntington avenue, construction.

Labor, including engineering and inspection	\$44,703 75
Teaming	33,760 81
261,849 gutter blocks	10,590 90
20,674 $\frac{8}{12}$ feet edgestone	12,818 33
10,193 feet special edgestone	3,975 27
1,146 $\frac{5}{12}$ feet circular edgestone	1,490 38
106 $\frac{10}{12}$ feet special circular edgestone	283 11
27 small corners	92 95
41 large corners	228 60
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Carried forward \$107,944 10

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$107,944	10
239 feet flagging	139	40
914 crossing blocks	457	00
526,960 paving brick	5,104	60
Gravel	5,335	67
Filling	5,606	00
Loam and sods	294	54
Sand	3,730	00
Cement	33	00
Stone	32,104	85
Steam roller	880	00
Lumber	450	82
Fuel	14	66
Advertising	235	69
Shanty, and furnishing same	91	93
Printing	31	59
Hardware, tools, etc.	345	77
Engineer's expenses	250	65
Sundries	36	92
Amount paid to William Scollans :		
9,746 cubic yards gravel filling, at 79 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents	\$7,772	44
Less amount paid in 1895	4,067	25
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		3,705 19
Amount paid to Metropolitan Construction Co. :		
4,396 cubic yards filling, at 65 cents	2,857	40
Amount paid to Donovan & Brock :		
Labor and stock, moving fence and wall at Martin School, and taking down, moving and erecting new frame and step block for flag-pole	2,102	63
Amount paid to Jas. Grant & Co., paving at intersecting streets :		
781.8 feet edgestone set	\$117	27
284.9 square yards block paving	99	72
1,376.5 square yards brick paving	316	60
342.2 square yards fence curb set	68	44
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Amount paid to Boston Asphalt Co. :		
16,393.8 square yards Sicilian rock asphalt with American cement concrete base, at \$2 90	\$47,542	02
21.7 cubic yards ex-concrete base, at \$5.00	108	50
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		47,650 52
Amount paid to Chas. E. Barnes :		
2,100.9 feet edgestone set	\$205	27
670 square yards brick paving	120	60
945.6 square yards gutter paving	253	45
499.5 square yards crossings laid	124	87
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$704	19
	\$220,004	96

<i>Brought forward</i>	.	.	.	\$704 19	\$220,004 96
45 $\frac{4}{9}$ days, foreman	.	.	.	\$272 66	
100 $\frac{7}{9}$ days, pavers	.	.	.	503 87	
45 $\frac{5}{9}$ days, helper	.	.	.	113 87	
285 $\frac{1}{9}$ days, labor	.	.	.	570 22	
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				\$1,460 62	
Plus 15 per cent	.	.	.	219 09	
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				1,679 71	
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					2,383 90

Amount paid to J. B. O'Rourke:					
162 square yards block paving	.	.	.	\$32 40	
7,077 feet edgestone set	.	.	.	424 62	
4,281 square yards brick paving	.	.	.	599 34	
160 square yards flagging crossings	.	.	.	32 00	
1,219 square yards gutters paved	.	.	.	398 15	
3,106 feet edgestone set	.	.	.	419 07	
2,614 square yards brick paving	.	.	.	538 95	
70 square yards flagging crossings	.	.	.	17 50	
2,609 feet coping reset	.	.	.	521 80	
62 coal holes reset	.	.	.	186 00	
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					3,169 83

Amount paid to Doherty & Connors:					
12,053 cubic yards sub-grading, at 39 cents	.	.	.	\$4,700 67	
17,144 square yards Telford base hauled and placed, at 21 cents	.	.	.	3,600 24	
17,822 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 25 cents	.	.	.	4,455 50	
3,235 square yards gutters laid, at 45 cents	.	.	.	1,455 75	
10,095 feet edgestone set, at 23 cents	.	.	.	2,321 85	
9,172 square yards brick sidewalks laid, at 44 cents	.	.	.	4,035 68	
393 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 25 cents	.	.	.	98 25	
385.6 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.50	.	.	.	1,735 20	
7 cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$1.75	.	.	.	12 25	
Removing trees, stumps, etc.	.	.	.	255 00	
33 covers reset, at \$3.00	.	.	.	99 00	
158 square yards crossings (old, relaid), at \$1.50	.	.	.	237 00	
Extra work as ordered:					
19 double loads loam furnished and placed, at 87 cents	.	.	.	\$16 53	
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<i>Carried forward</i>	.	.	.	\$16 53	\$23,006 39
					\$225,558 96

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$16 53	\$23,006 39	\$225,558 69
45 days labor, culling bricks, at \$1.75	78 75		
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	\$95 28		
Plus 15 per cent	14 29		
	<hr/>	109 57	
		<hr/>	23,115 96

Amount paid to H. Gore & Co.:

7,758 cubic yards sub-grading, at 25 cents	1,939 50
22,237 square yards Telford base hauled and placed, at $24\frac{1}{2}$ cents	5,448 07
22,641 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at $19\frac{1}{2}$ cents	4,415 00
4,182 square yards block gutters laid, at 49 cents	2,049 18
8,706 feet edgestone set, at 17 cents	1,480 02
7,307 feet edgestone set, at 15 cents	1,096 05
833 square yards brick sidewalks laid, at 42 cents	349 86
9,159 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 30 cents	2,747 70
718 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.50	3,231 00
21 cubic yards gravel furnished, at 75 cents	15 75

Extra work rebuilding catch-basins and manholes:

$43\frac{5}{8}$ days, mason, at \$4.50	\$197 25
$43\frac{5}{8}$ days, mason tender, at \$2.25	98 63
$21\frac{1}{9}$ days labor, at \$1.75	36 94
$33\frac{1}{2}$ barrels American cement, at \$1.10	36 85
9,255 bricks, at \$9.00	83 30
6 double loads sand, at \$1.75	10 50

Resetting and rejoining edgestone:

$22\frac{1}{3}$ days, stone cutter, at \$4.00	89 33
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Resurfacing street, regrading water-works trench, and extra excavations:

$47\frac{5}{9}$ days, foreman, at \$5.00	24 17
$37\frac{2}{3}$ days labor, at \$1.75	65 14
$4\frac{1}{3}$ days, double team, at \$5.00	20 55

Transplanting:

1 day, foreman	5 00
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$667 66	\$22,772 13	\$248,674 65
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<i>Brought forward</i> . . .	\$667 66	\$22,772 13	\$248,674 65
5 days labor, at \$1.75 . . .	8 75		
$\frac{2}{9}$ day double team, at \$5.00 . . .	1 11		
2 double loads loam, at \$1.75 . . .	3 50		
Hauling crushed stone :			
64 $\frac{5}{9}$ days, double team, at \$5.00 . . .	320 28		
1 $\frac{2}{3}$ days, single team, at \$3.00 . . .	5 00		
Resetting edgestone, resur- facing sidewalks and loaming :			
5 $\frac{5}{9}$ days, foreman, at \$5.00 . . .	25 28		
26 $\frac{5}{9}$ days labor, at \$1.75 . . .	46 67		
$\frac{5}{9}$ day, double team, at \$5.00 . . .	2 78		
45 double loads loam, at \$1.75 . . .	78 75		
6 single loads loam, at 87 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents	5 25		
Taking down fence and cut- ting through fence at Chutes :			
$\frac{6.5}{9}$ days, foreman, at \$5.00 . . .	3 61		
9 $\frac{5.5}{9}$ days labor, at \$1.75 . . .	17 40		
Breaking Telford base, 38 days labor, at \$1.75 . . .	66 50		
Rolling at place where scales were located $\frac{8}{9}$ day, steam roller, at \$15.00	13 33		
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	\$1,265 87		
Plus 15 per cent	189 88		
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		<hr/>	\$24,227 88
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			\$272,902 53
Work done by the Bridge Division			9,592 68
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			\$282,495 21
Amount retained from Boston Asphalt Co.	\$2,382 53		
Amount retained from Doherty & Connors	1,155 80		
Amount retained from H. Gore & Co.	1,211 39		
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			\$277,745 49

*SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES UNDER
SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS.*

TOTAL AMOUNT EXPENDED.

Bennington and Walley streets	\$13,469 88
Centre street (Dorchester)	867 10
Columbus avenue	7,100 00
Commonwealth avenue	130,471 33
Congress and L streets	7,608 17
Eleanor and Ridgemont streets	110 85
Elmira street	1,696 30
Franklin street	99 48
Hanover street	5,049 44
Leicester street	2,488 40
McLellan street	4,056 84
Orleans street	3,146 73
Quincy street	8,419 18
Saratoga street	2,022 20
Sydney street	436 40
Talbot avenue	2,171 62
Tremont street	9,501 26
Wall street	5,580 26
Street Improvements, Old Wards.	
Street Improvements, Wards 1 and 2 :	
Bennington street	250 00
Bremen street	5,558 82
Saratoga street	27,854 80
Sumner street	370 13
Walley street	110 82
Bridges	417 66
Street Improvements, Ward 3 :	
Corey street	68 82
Decatur street	6,179 76
Prospect street	3,510 93
Tremont street	4,421 00
Sewers	615 24
Street Improvements, Ward 4 :	
Essex street	1,028 13
Medford street	1,715 38
Street Improvements, Ward 5 :	
Main street	23,877 14
Washington street	371 50
Street Improvements, Wards 9 and 10 :	
Chestnut street	7,509 05
Parkman street	592 95
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<i>Carried forward</i>	<i>\$288,747 57</i>

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$288,747 57
Street Improvements, Ward 12 :	
Beach street	8,598 82
Chauncy street	10,777 38
Essex street	564 21
Harvard street	4,233 73
Pine street	3,377 36
Whitmore street	62 70
Street Improvements, Ward 13 :	
A street	293 25
C street	1,216 69
D street	6,708 60
Dorchester avenue	21,512 16
Dove street	2,581 14
Sewers	241 60
Street Improvements, Wards 14 and 15 :	
Bellflower street	5,032 01
East Eighth street	1,536 46
East Sixth street	9,085 12
K street	7,111 86
Rawson street	2,829 67
Swett street	9,178 89
Vale street	177 50
Sewers	5,310 32
Street Improvements, Ward 16 :	
Compton street	1,282 02
Street Improvements, Wards 17 and 18 :	
Albany street	2,498 48
East Lenox street	329 52
Fabin street	92 27
Fellows street	3,175 83
Flagg street	1,945 80
Harrison avenue	245 39
Pembroke street	693 24
West Canton street	131 00
Street Improvements, Wards 19 and 22 :	
Bay State road	241 55
Beacon street	6,946 08
Boylston street	86 80
Calumet street	360 00
Lawn street	325 60
Marlborough street	2,634 43
Parker street	55 80
Roxbury street	13,892 04
Westland avenue	1,367 77
Street Improvements, Ward 20 :	
Newcomb street	2,521 07
Quincy street	1,285 35
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$429,287 08

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$429,287 08
Shirley steet	3,236 00
Sewers	301 51
Street Improvements, Ward 24 :	
Alban street	3,201 54
Bicknell street	212 20
Bradshaw street	1,974 08
Morton street	318 40
Sewers	1,824 38
Street Improvements, Ward 25 :	
Washington street	13,544 70
Western avenue	984 63
Winship street	1,495 63
Bridges	455 74
Street Improvements, New Wards.	
Street Improvements, Ward 1 :	
Blackinton and Leyden streets	941 73
Byron street	2,492 55
Chelsea street	143 52
Cowper street	73 18
Shelby street	33 38
Wordsworth street	559 95
Sewers	1,653 97
Street Improvements, Ward 2 :	
Havre street	2,275 15
Haynes street	2,581 76
Marion and Bremen streets	1,906 36
Maverick street	414 10
Sumner street	10,451 73
Webster street	9,917 22
Bridges	300 00
Sewers	869 67
Street Improvements, Ward 3 :	
Ferrin street	4,882 38
Sewer Division	556 29
Street Improvements, Ward 4 :	
Alford street	3,445 08
Beach street	227 11
Walker street	3,936 36
Sewers	2,821 71
Street Improvements, Ward 5 :	
City square	227 54
Park street	595 80
Stacey street	1,769 57
Union street	544 21
Warren avenue	1,045 30
Warren street	483 74
Sewers	678 53
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$512,663 78

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$512,663 78
Street Improvements, Ward 6:	
Batterymarch street	1,878 61
City Hall avenue	1,206 47
Devonshire street	6,107 21
Garden Court street	1,700 63
North street and North square	3,613 18
North Margin street	173 51
North Market street	509 65
Prince street	1,360 88
Stillman street	2,481 57
Tileston street	19 54
Water street	3,661 37
Sewers	289 47
Street Improvements, Ward 7:	
Corning street	1,305 27
Edinboro' street	136 17
Milk street	9,602 67
Ohio street	1,314 32
West street	147 26
Winter street	6,995 90
Sewers	879 77
Street Improvements, Ward 8:	
Ashland street	2,231 01
Barton street	96 41
Cotting street	2,192 49
Lowell street	18,474 32
Milton street	324 30
Sewers	382 05
Street Improvements, Ward 9:	
Acton street	797 52
East Dedham street	4,030 13
Hamburg street	2,692 57
Laconia street	4,919 69
Meander street	2,057 83
Mystic street	4,308 34
Norwich street	1,775 07
Taylor street	750 33
Union Park street	1,492 48
Sewers	912 21
Street Improvements, Ward 10:	
Boylston and Exeter streets	11,982 05
Columbus avenue	719 00
Dartmouth street	613 06
Holyoke street	1,682 89
St. Botolph street	16,326 60
Yarmouth street	935 45
Sewers	1,024 82
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$636,767 85

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$636,767 85
Street Improvements, Ward 11 :	
Arlington street	10,512 92
Berkeley street	4,061 18
Brimmer street	490 80
Brookline avenue	440 86
Charles street	25 49
Mt. Vernon street	1,512 20
Pinckney street	106 50
Sewers	752 37
Street Improvements, Ward 12 :	
East Brookline street	3,582 94
Massachusetts avenue	1,047 24
Reed street	2,417 85
West Brookline street	7,566 23
Sewer Division	408 90
Street Improvements, Ward 13 :	
Athens street	121 27
Bridges	3,582 15
Street Improvements, Ward 14 :	
L street	6,605 46
Sewers	797 14
Street Improvements, Ward 15 :	
East Fifth street	886 88
East Fourth street	759 32
G street	1,750 94
Old Harbor street	1,418 51
Telegraph street	3,258 24
Thomas Park	861 55
Street Improvements, Ward 16 :	
East Cottage street	5,489 00
Dean street	2,972 13
Fairbury street	555 64
Leyland street	2,276 73
Monadnock street	488 14
Sewers	1,716 59
Street Improvements, Ward 17 :	
Eustis street	9,636 45
Island street	2,216 13
Magazine street	2,181 93
Marshfield street	1,009 71
Massachusetts avenue	9,456 77
Pontine street	323 87
Sewers	1,609 32
Street Improvements, Ward 18 :	
Linden Park street	4,347 41
Tremont street	488 65
Washington street	4,857 21
Sewers	920 49
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$740,280 96

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$740,280 96
Street Improvements, Ward 19 :	
Smith street	7,812 62
Wait street	109 00
Sewers	1,500 20
Street Improvements, Ward 20 :	
Blue Hill avenue	1,302 13
Charles street	2,986 68
Faulkner street	1,015 42
Freeport street	4,207 46
Geneva avenue	3,962 57
Hartland street	794 34
Mayfield street	1,147 11
Romsey street	2,698 15
Sagamore street	550 48
Salcombe street	2,284 35
School street	382 52
Washington street	7,123 74
Bridges	43 72
Sewers	1,202 14
Street Improvements, Ward 21 :	
Crawford street	6,641 73
Holborn street	982 30
Howland street	4,007 56
Maywood street	318 73
Ruthven street	2,104 89
Sherman street	1,809 30
Walnut avenue	4,011 49
Sewers	1,262 36
Street Improvements, Ward 22 :	
Bickford street	600 84
Boylston street	1,214 95
Bromley park	149 25
Bromley street	194 50
Burroughs street	88 75
Creighton street	4,770 38
Green street	142 50
Lamartine street	3,931 54
Sewers	811 96
Street Improvements, Ward 23 :	
Ashfield street	513 00
Baker street	1,764 11
Canterbury street	8,253 25
Centre street	10,543 57
Conway street	424 75
Corey street	1,807 84
Fairview street	556 45
Hastings street	3,406 67
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$839,716 26

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$839,716 26
Hewlett street	2,107 66
Hyde Park avenue	1,413 84
Morton street	10,021 21
New Keyes street	1,850 50
Ruskin street	650 20
Sycamore street	378 90
Temple street	1,450 94
Vermont avenue	971 48
Walk Hill street	1,615 40
Washington street	12,328 01
Weld street	3,894 47
Sewers	2,341 56
Street Improvements, Ward 24 :	
Adams street	362 04
Ashmont street	615 07
Norfolk street	8,183 28
Oakland street	3,453 22
Sewers	7,904 94
Street Improvements, Ward 25 :	
Bigelow street	10,791 99
Linden street	408 06
Market street	1,169 27
Reedsdale street	456 55
Rockland street	800 45
Tremont street	158 55
Sewers	500 00
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	\$913,543 85
Less amount paid out of appropriation for Paving Division	36,447 95
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	<u>\$877,095 90</u>

*SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES FOR BLUE
HILL AND OTHER AVENUES.*

Blue Hill avenue	\$170,319 56
Columbus avenue	205,425 15
Commonwealth avenue	49,628 73
Huntington avenue	277,745 49
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	<u>\$703,118 93</u>

*SUMMARY OF EXPENDITURES—LAYING OUT
AND CONSTRUCTION OF HIGHWAYS.*

TOTAL AMOUNT EXPENDED.

Abbotsford street	\$4,777 42
Audubon road	9,299 55
Bay State road	7,722 79
Boylston street	11,516 65
Brighton avenue	51,243 19
Clinton street	6,942 71
Fenelon street	1,915 66
Geneva avenue	17,249 19
Granby street	4,737 01
Greenbrier street	5,317 10
Harvard avenue	2,498 39
Harvard street	1,224 39
Ivy street	366 12
Josephine street	3,210 79
Kenmore street	48 71
Lauriat avenue	16,577 13
Morse street	2,086 09
Newbury street	66 70
Norway street	152 86
Norway street	1,308 01
Parker street	1,192 51
Peterborough street	5,869 98
Ruggles street	5,017 34
St. Alphonsus street	7,276 14
St. Germain street	251 92
Sherborn street	210 71
Turner street	1,834 49
Vancouver street	1,643 12
Wilder street	3,405 21
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	\$174,961 88
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*LAYING OUT AND CONSTRUCTION OF HIGH-
WAYS.*

Abbotsford street, between Walnut avenue and Harold street.	
Labor	\$428 34
1,184 $\frac{9}{12}$ feet edgestone	734 54
38 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet circular edgestone	49 49
2 small corners	6 70
11,600 large gutter blocks	458 20
Stone	1,144 61
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Carried forward	\$2,821 88

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,821 88
Steam roller	123 50
Catch basin stone	16 00
Advertising	45 21

Amount paid to Quimby & Ferguson:	
997 cubic yards sub-grading, at 38 cents,	\$378 86
1,357 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 26 cents	352 82
427 square yards granite block gutters hauled and laid, at 83 cents	354 41
1,233 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 24 cents	295 92
818 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 26 cents	212 68
27.3 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.25	116 03
121.4 cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$2.00	242 80
4 covers reset, at \$3.00	12 00

Extra work lowering catch-basins:	
22 hours, mason, at 42 cents	\$9 24
22 hours, tender, at 20 cents	4 40
1 hour, stonecutter	50
2 barrels cement, at \$1.50	3 00
2 single loads sand, at \$1.00	2 00

	\$19 14
Plus 15 per cent	2 87
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	\$1,987 53
Credited by 9½ days steam roller, at \$13	123 50
	<hr/> 1,864 03

	\$4,870 62
Amount retained from Quimby & Ferguson	93 20

\$4,777 42

Audubon road, Beacon street across Ivy street.

Labor	\$422 15
Stone	1,878 80
Advertising	136 75
13,000 gutter blocks	513 50
421 $\frac{5}{12}$ feet straight edgestone	261 28
412 $\frac{8}{12}$ feet circular edgestone	536 47
Sundries	27 46

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$3,776 41
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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$3,776 41
Amount paid to William Scollans:		
568 cubic yards sub-grading, at 25 cents,	\$142 00	
2,669 square yards Telford base hauled and placed, at 37 cents	987 53	
3,330 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 31 cents	1,032 30	
438 square yards block gutters hauled and laid, at 85 cents	372 30	
385 square yards loam furnished and placed, at 40 cents	154 00	
877 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 30 cents	263 10	
953 square yards brick paving furnished and laid, at 95 cents	905 35	
1,493 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.25	634 53	
1,539 cubic yards gravel furnished, at 75 cents	1,154 25	
7 covers reset, at \$3.00	21 00	
2.4 square yards brick sidewalks (old, relaid), at 55 cents	1 32	
Extra work as ordered:		
7 days, stonecutter, at \$3.50	\$24 50	
78 days labor, at \$1.75	136 50	
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Plus 15 per cent	24 15	
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		\$5,852 83
Credit by 3 days steam road roller, at \$13.00	39 00	
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		\$9,590 24
Less amount retained from William Scollans		290 69
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		\$9,299 55
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Bay State road, between Sherborn and Granby streets:

Labor	\$437 38
Stone	2,590 35
Advertising	43 50
1,499 $\frac{8}{12}$ feet edgestone	929 80
621 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet circular edgestone	81 68
Sundries	8 51
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$4,091 22

<i>Brought forward</i>		\$4,091 22
Amount paid to Quimby & Ferguson:		
192.5 cubic yards sub-grading, at 38 cents	\$73 15	
2,586 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 27 cents	698 22	
517 square yards granite block gutters furnished and laid, at \$2.10	1,085 70	
1,582 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 22 cents	348 04	
1,898 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 27 cents	512 46	
1,502 cubic yards gravel furnished, at 78 cents	1,171 56	
11 covers reset, at \$3.00	33 00	
11 square yards gutters (old, relaid), at 60 cents	6 60	
Extra work repaving gutters and brick sidewalks:		
19 hours, paver, at 40 cents	\$7 60	
19 hours, tender, at 20 cents	3 80	
9 hours labor, at 17 cents	1 53	
3 double loads sand, at \$1.57,	4 71	
	<u>\$17 64</u>	
Plus 15 per cent	2 65	
	<u>20 29</u>	
		\$3,949 02
Credit by 20 days (clause M. of contract), at \$10.00	200 00	
	<u>3,749 02</u>	
		<u>\$7,840 24</u>
Less amount retained from Quimby & Ferguson,		117 45
		<u><u>\$7,722 79</u></u>

Boylston street, between Boylston road and Brookline avenue:

Labor	\$1,511 95
Advertising	86 98
42,650 gutter blocks	1,684 68
4,342 $\frac{9}{12}$ feet edgestone	2,737 53
214 $\frac{11}{12}$ feet circular edgestone	279 39
Teaming	955 32
Fuel	2 33
	<u>\$7,258 18</u>
<i>Carried forward</i>	

<i>Brought forward</i>		\$7,258 18
Amount paid to Neil McBride:		
2,187 cubic yards sub-grading, at 20 cents	\$137 40	
9,630 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 14 cents	1,348 20	
1,246 square yards block gutters laid, at 20 cents	249 20	
4,157 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 20 cents	831 40	
67 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$5.00	335 00	
1,967 cubic yards gravel furnished, at 80 cents	1,573 60	
Hauling crushed stone as per agreement:		
434 double loads crushed stone, at 25 cents	108 50	
190 double loads crushed stone, at $66\frac{2}{3}$ cents	126 67	
		<hr/> 5,009 97
		<hr/> \$12,268 15
Less amount retained from Neil McBride		751 50
		<hr/> \$11,516 65

Brighton avenue, Commonwealth avenue to Cambridge street.

Labor	\$2,391 71
5,747 $\frac{9}{12}$ feet edgestone	3,563 60
496 feet circular edgestone	644 87
18 large and 6 small corners	120 90
Stone	12,447 78
Concrete sidewalks	110 00
Lumber	114 25

Amount paid to Doherty & Connors (section between Commonwealth avenue and Harvard avenue):

9,241 cubic yards sub-grading, at 31 cents	\$2,864 71
9,643 square yards Telford base hauled and placed, at 39 cents	3,760 77
9,643 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 33 cents	3,182 19
3,028.4 square yards block gutters furnished and laid, at \$2.00	6,056 80
4,043 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 31 cents	1,253 23

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$17,117 80	\$19,393 11
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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$17,117 80	\$19,393 11
3,706 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 31 cents	1,148 86	
124.7 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.50	561 15	
Removing trees, etc.	450 00	
36 covers reset, at \$3.00	108 00	
37 square yards block gutters (old, re- laid), at 50 cents	18 50	
70 square yards crosswalks (old, relaid), at \$1.00	70 00	
Extra work as ordered :		
26 $\frac{3}{4}$ days labor, at \$1.75	\$46 67	
7 days, double team, at \$5.00	35 00	
1 $\frac{5}{8}$ days, steam roller, at \$15.00	23 33	
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	\$105 00	
Plus 15 per cent	15 75	
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		120 75
Removing house		100 00
652 tons crushed stone hauled, at 10 cents		65 20
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		\$19,760 26
Less amount paid in 1895		1,557 71
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		18,202 55
Amount paid to Doherty & Connors (section between Harvard avenue and Cambridge street) :		
6,534 cubic yards sub grading, at 35 cents	\$2,286 90	
8,526 square yards Telford base, at 41 cents	3,495 66	
8,526 square yards macadam, at 35 cents	2,984 10	
2,158 square yards block gutters, at \$2.05	4,423 90	
2,999 feet edgestone set, at 33 cents	989 67	
2,688 square yards gravel sidewalks, at 35 cents	940 80	
136.5 square yards flagging crossings, at \$4.65	634 73	
Removing trees, etc.	150 00	
25 covers reset, at \$3.00	75 00	
88 square yards gutters (old, relaid), at 55 cents	48 40	
99 square yards flagging crossings, at \$1.15	113 85	
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$16,143 01	\$37,595 66

<i>Brought forward</i> . . .	\$16,143 01	\$37,595 66
Extra work as ordered:		
21 days labor, at \$1.75 . . .	\$36 75	
13 days, double team, at \$5.00, . . .	65 00	
2 $\frac{7}{8}$ days, steam roller, at \$15.00	41 67	
	<u>\$143 42</u>	
Plus 15 per cent	21 51	
	<u>164 93</u>	
557 tons crushed stone hauled, at 10 cents	55 70	
	<u>\$16,363 64</u>	
Less amount paid in 1895	909 92	
	<u>15,453 72</u>	
		\$53,049 38
Amount retained on Section 1 . . .	\$988 01	
Amount retained on Section 2 . . .	818 18	
	<u>1,806 19</u>	
		<u>\$51,243 19</u>

Clinton street.

Labor	\$1,839 40
Tearing down buildings	643 05
53 $\frac{8}{12}$ feet circular edgestone	69 77
Advertising	27 60
Teaming	1,607 50
Masonry	42 00
Gravel and sand	439 98
Lumber	39 54
23,175 large paving blocks	1,117 96
428 feet flagging	248 24
18,000 paving bricks	171 00
Amount paid to Dennis J. Kiley & Co.:	
482 feet edgestone set, at 8 cents . . .	\$38 56
999 square yards block paving (new), at 25 cents	249 75
859 square yards block paving (old), at 25 cents	214 75
98 square yards granite flagging laid, at 25 cents	24 50
422 square yards brick paving, at 18 cents	75 96
Extra labor, night and Sunday work	\$81 00
Add 15 per cent	12 15
	<u>93 15</u>
	<u>696 67</u>
	<u>\$6,942 71</u>

Fenelon street, between Washington and Merrill streets.

Labor	\$259 45
Teaming	5 92
Advertising	98 15
640 feet edgestone	396 80
36 feet circular edgestone	46 80
5,150 gutter blocks	203 43
Stone	287 27

Amount paid to D. E. Lynch:

224.6 cubic yards sub-grading, at 28 cents	\$62 89	
650 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 12 cents	78 00	
246.5 square yards block gutters hauled and laid, at 65 cents	160 23	
668 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 23 cents	153 64	
428 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 22 cents	94 16	
20.2 square yards flagging crossings, at \$4.50	90 90	
½ cubic yard ledge excavation, at \$1.75	88	
1 cover reset	3 00	
6.7 square yards gutters (old, relaid), at 65 cents	4 36	
2.3 square yards crossings laid, at \$1.00	2 30	
		650 36

\$1,948 18

Less amount retained from D. E. Lynch . . . 32 52

\$1,915 66**Geneva avenue, between Westville street and Dorchester avenue.**

Labor	\$1,319 20
Advertising	55 88
Fuel	1 17
3,850 gutter blocks	152 08
679.7 feet edgestone	421 41

Amount paid to Finneran and O'Hearn:

800 cubic yards sub-grading, at 32 cents,	\$256 00
1,975 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 15 cents	296 25
445 square yards block gutters laid, at 27 cents	120 15
1,125 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 16 cents	180 00

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$852 40	\$1,949 74
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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$852 40	\$1,949 74
547 square yards gravel sidewalks, at 22 cents	120 34	
120 square yards flagging crossings, at \$4.30	516 00	
5 cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$1.75	8 75	
	—	1,497 49

Less amount retained from Finneran & O'Hearn, \$3,447 23
224 62

Work done by the Bridge Division \$3,222 61
14,026 58

\$17,249 19

Granby street, between Commonwealth avenue and Charles river.

Labor	\$322 02
Teaming	30 50
716 $\frac{3}{4}$ feet edgestone	444 07
Stone	1,376 10
Cap-stone wall	320 00
Iron fence on sea wall	110 00
Advertising	41 26

Amount paid to Quimby & Ferguson:

373 cubic yards sub-grading, at 38 cents,	\$141 74
1,718 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 27 cents	463 86
358 square yards block gutters fur- nished and laid, at \$2.10	751 80
855 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 22 cents	188 10
680 square yards gravel sidewalks fur- nished and laid, at 27 cents	183 60
102.6 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.10	420 66
110 cubic yards gravel, at 78 cents	85 80
4 covers reset, at \$3.00	12 00
14 square yards gutters (old, relaid), at 60 cents	8 40

\$2,255 96

Credit by 659.25 feet edgestone, hauled
by city 52 74

2,203 22

Less amount retained from Quimby & Ferguson . \$4,847 17
110 16

\$4,737 01

Greenbrier street, between Bowdoin and Bloomfield streets.

Labor	\$451 15	
Stone	1,217 79	
Advertising	47 25	
1,304 $\frac{9}{12}$ feet edgestone	808 94	
103 $\frac{8}{12}$ feet circular edgestone	134 77	
Amount paid to Quimby & Ferguson:		
1,317 cubic yards sub-grading, at 32 cents	\$421 44	
1,546 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 22 cents	340 12	
524.7 square yards block gutters furnished and laid, at \$2.15	1,128 11	
1,579 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 24 cents	378 96	
970 square yards gravel sidewalks, at 22 cents	213 40	
45.2 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.25	192 10	
Removing trees, etc.	25 00	
11 covers reset, at \$3.00	33 00	
35 square yards gutters (old, relaid), at 65 cents	22 75	
Extra work, puddling and filling trench, cutting edgestone and rebuilding sewer manhole:		
12 hours, stonecutter, at 50 cents	\$6 00	
1 day, mason	4 20	
20 hours labor, at 20 cents	4 00	
6 hours, single team, at \$3.00,	2 00	
6 hours, 2-horse roller, at \$5.00	3 33	
2 barrels cement, at \$1.50	3 00	
Sand	1 10	
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	\$23 63	
Add 15 per cent	3 54	
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Pulling down shed	15 00	
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	2,797 05	
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	\$5,456 95	
Less amount retained from Quimby & Ferguson	139 85	
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	\$5,317 10	
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Harvard Avenue, Commonwealth avenue to Brookline line.

Teaming	\$45 00
Stone	2,287 74
Amount retained from William Scollans for work done under contract in 1895	165 65
	<u>\$2,498 39</u>

Harvard street, west of Blue Hill avenue.

Labor	\$129 25
Advertising	25 13
Amount paid to James McDonald :	
1,337.36 cubic yards excavation, at 83 cents	1,110 01
	<u>\$1,264 39</u>
Amount retained from James McDonald	40 00
	<u>\$1,224 39</u>

Ivy street, St. Mary's street to Mountfort street.

Amount retained from James Grant & Co., for work done under contract in 1895	<u>\$366 12</u>
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Josephine street, between Geneva avenue and Ditson streets.

Labor	\$384 70
Stone	506 96
98 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet circular edgestone	128 28
Artificial stone sidewalk	445 57
Advertising	51 05
Amount paid to J. J. Nawn :	
97 cubic yards sub-grading, at 22 cents	\$21 34
1,374 square yards macadam, hauled and placed, at 17 cents	233 58
460 square yards granite block gutters, furnished and laid, at \$1.95	897 00
145.5 feet edgestone, hauled and set, at 20 cents	29 10
156.8 square yards gravel sidewalks, furnished and laid, at 30 cents	47 04
37.1 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.30	159 53
539 cubic yards gravel, at 90 cents	485 10
4 covers reset, at \$3.00	12 00
Extra work furnishing lumber and banking sidewalks :	
100 feet B. & M. lumber, at \$17.00	\$1 70

<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1 70	\$1,884 64	<u>\$1,516 56</u>
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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1 70	\$1,884 69	\$1,516 56
1 day labor	1 75		
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	\$3 45		
Plus 15 per cent	52		
	<hr/>	\$3 97	
		<hr/>	1,888 66
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			\$3,405 22
Less amount retained from J. J. Nawn			194 43
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			<u>\$3,210 79</u>

Kenmore street, between Commonwealth avenue and Newbury street.

Amount retained from Doherty & Connors, for work done under contract in 1895 \$48 71

Lauriat avenue, Blue Hill avenue to Tucker street.

Labor	\$989 00
5,279 $\frac{6}{12}$ feet edgestone	3,273 33
488 $\frac{6}{12}$ feet circular edgestone	635 11
16 small and 2 large corners	64 80
64,250 gutter blocks	2,537 87
Stone	3,063 49
Filling	1,279 08
Advertising	87 74

Amount paid to Doherty & Connors:

2,300 cubic yards sub-grading, at 29 cents	\$667 00
6,000 square yards macadam, hauled and placed, at 20 cents	1,200 00
1,460 square yards block gutters hauled and laid, at 54 cents	788 40
4,800 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 25 cents	1,200 00
3,100 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 20 cents	620 00
169 square yards flagging crossings, furnished and laid, at \$4.50	760 50
95 cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$1.75	166 25
37 cubic yards gravel furnished, at 61 cents	22 57
14 covers reset, at \$3.00	42 00
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	5,466 72

Less amount retained from Doherty & Connors \$17,397 14

\$16,577 13

Morse street, between Washington street and Bowdoin avenue.

Labor	\$272 45
Teaming	10 75
Stone	394 22
645 feet edgestone	399 90
46 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet circular edgestone	59 96
7,250 gutter blocks	286 37
Advertising	49 95
Printing	3 00

Amount paid to D. E. Lynch:

305 cubic yards sub-grading, at 28 cents,	\$85 40
733 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 14 cents	102 62
238 square yards block gutters hauled and laid, at 65 cents	154 70
700 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 12 cents	84 00
400 square yards gravel sidewalks furnished and laid, at 22 cents	88 00
22.2 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$4.50	99 90
4 covers reset, at \$3.00	12 00
23 square yards gutters (old, relaid), at 65 cents	14 95
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	\$2,118 17
Amount retained from D. E. Lynch	32 08
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	<u>\$2,086 09</u>

Newbury street, Charlesgate west to Brookline avenue.

Amount retained from F. H. Cowin for work done under contract in 1894	<u>\$66 70</u>
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Norway street, Falmouth street to Massachusetts avenue.

Amount retained from Quimby & Ferguson for work done under contract in 1894	<u>\$152 86</u>
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Norway street, Massachusetts avenue to Parker street.

Labor	\$33 75
Filling	1,274 26
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	<u>\$1,308 01</u>

Parker street, Huntington avenue to Westland avenue.

Amount retained from Doherty & O'Leary for
work done under contract in 1895 \$1,192 51

Peterborough street, Audubon road to Fairhaven street.

Labor \$652 25
Printing 59 55
Sundries 8 20

Amount paid to Boston and Albany R.R. Co.:
11,880 cubic yards filling, at 51 cents 6,058 80

\$6,778 80

Amount retained from Boston & Albany R.R. Co., 908 82

\$5,869 98

Ruggles street, Parker street to Back Bay Fens.

Labor \$57 74
Printing 87 20
7,496 cubic yards filling, at 65 cents 4,872 40

\$5,017 34

St. Alphonsus street, Tremont street to Calumet street.

Labor \$753 17
Stone 1,468 74
15,615 gutter blocks 616 79
1,379 $\frac{8}{12}$ feet straight edgestone 855 39
70 $\frac{1}{2}$ feet circular edgestone 91 43
1 large corner 5 60
Repairing fence 20 83
Advertising 36 00

Amount paid to Quimby & Ferguson:

847 cubic yards sub-grading, at 38 cents, \$321 86
2,297 square yards macadam hauled
and placed, at 27 cents. 620 19
576 square yards block gutters hauled
and laid, at 82 cents 472 32
1,525 feet edgestone hauled and set, at
24 cents 366 00
1,152 square yards gravel sidewalks
furnished and laid, at 22 cents 253 44
22.3 square yards flagging crossings
furnished and laid, at \$4.25 94 78

Carried forward \$2,128 59 \$3,847 95

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,128 59	\$3,847 95
232 cubic yards ledge excavation, at		
\$1.80	417 60	
8 covers reset, at \$3.00	24 00	
Retaining walls, fences, etc. . . .	787 00	
24 square yards flagging (old, relaid), at		
\$1.25	30 00	

Extra work as ordered :

187.4 feet capstone for wall,		
at 75 cents	\$140 55	
47 square yards brick side-		
walks, at 50 cents	23 50	
19 double loads binding		
gravel, at \$1.50	28 50	
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	\$192 55	
Plus 15 per cent	28 88	
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	221 43	
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		\$3,608 62
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		\$7,456 57
Less amount retained from Quimby & Ferguson,		180 43
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		\$7,276 14
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St. Germain street, Massachusetts avenue to Dalton street.

Amount retained from Quimby & Ferguson for	
work done under contract in 1895	\$251 95
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Sherborn street, Commonwealth avenue to Dalton street.

Amount retained from Doherty & Connors for	
work done under contract in 1895	\$210 71
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Turner street.

Labor	\$548 49
Teaming	96 00
2,380 cubic yards filling	1,190 00
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	\$1,834 49
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Vancouver street, Huntington avenue to Ruggles street.

Labor	\$40 13
Filling	1,602 99
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	\$1,643 12
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Wilder street, Washington street to Geneva avenue.

Labor	\$671 14
Teaming	8 28
Stone	627 86
11,175 gutter blocks	441 41
844 feet edgestone	523 28
17 $\frac{3}{4}$ feet circular edgestone	22 32
Advertising	48 75

Amount paid to Finneran & O'Hearn :

1,201 cubic yards sub-grading, at 23 cents	\$276 23
1,235 square yards macadam hauled and placed, at 15 cents	185 25
375 square yards block gutters hauled and placed, at 60 cents	225 00
874 feet edgestone hauled and set, at 20 cents	174 80
22.7 square yards flagging crossings furnished and laid, at \$5.00	113 50
1.7 cubic yards ledge excavation, at \$1.75	2 98
6 covers reset, at \$3.00	18 00

Extra work rebuilding catch-basin :

3 days mason work, at \$4.50	\$13 50
1 barrel cement	1 00
1 barrel sand	50
100 paving bricks	1 25
Carting	50
142 feet edgestone reset	17 04
97 square yards gutters re-paved	33 95
11 square yards brick side-walks	1 76
68 $\frac{1}{2}$ tons screenings hauled,	23 98
1 day, double team	5 00
4 $\frac{1}{2}$ days labor resurfacing sidewalks	7 88

\$106 36

Plus 15 per cent 15 95

122 31

1,118 07

\$3,461 11

Less amount retained from Finneran & O'Hearn .

55 90

\$3,405 21

NEW EDGESTONE.

The following tables show the amount of new edgestone set during the year:—

CITY PROPER.

*Wards 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 17 and 18, in whole or in part.
(Paving Districts Nos. 8 and 10.)*

	Lin. ft.
East Lenox street	323
Fellows street	88
Flagg street	106
Laconia street	381
Massachusetts avenue	760
Sundry streets in small quantities	39
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	1,697

ROXBURY.

*Wards 16, 17, 18, 19, 21 and 22, in whole or in part.
(Paving District No. 7.)*

	Lin. ft.
Abbotsford street	1,233
Alleghany street	55
Atherton street	51
Batchelder street	60
Bickford street	328
Cobden street	95
Centre street	305
Columbus avenue	8,983
Crawford street	149
Creighton street	256
Dean street	1,037
Dennis street	84
Dudley street	140
Egleston street	87
Elmore street	203
Fairland street	116
Fellows street	57
Fenno street	159
George street	111
Georgia street	394
Glenwood street	108
Harold street	67
Heath street	110
Holborn street	50
Howland street	312
Hunneman street	143
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<i>Carried forward</i>	14,693

<i>Brought forward</i>	14,693
Hutchings street	137
Kensington street	71
Langdon street	154
Logan street	64
Marcella street	52
Marshfield street	328
Newcomb street	60
Northampton street	77
Parker street	124
Paul Gore street	176
Pontine street	60
Reed street	120
Ruthven street	100
St. Alphonsus street	1,454
Savin street	213
Southwood street	527
Thornton street	80
Townsend street	246
Walnut avenue	129
Williams street	61
Winthrop street	214
Whiting street	499
Sundry streets in small quantities	472
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	<u>20,111</u>

SOUTH BOSTON.

*Wards 13, 14, 15 and 16, in whole or in part. (Paving
District No. 1.)*

	Lin. ft.
Bellflower street	1,311
Buttonwood street	63
D street	359
East Fifth street	175
East Second street	50
East Seventh street	188
East Sixth street	255
East Third street	83
K street	50
L street	250
Lark street	50
N street	61
Rawson street	890
Sundry streets in small quantities	70
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	<u>3,855</u>

EAST BOSTON.

Wards 1 and 2. (Paving District No. 2.)

	Lin. ft.
Blackinton street	130
Falcon street	142
Leyden street	246
London street	74
Morris street	75
Paris street	99
Sundry streets in small quantities	41
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DORCHESTER.

Wards 16, 20 and 24, in whole or in part. (Paving District No. 6.)

	Lin. ft.
Adams street	124
Algonquin street	194
Allston street	100
Armandine street	564
Barrington street	120
Bellevue street	277
Bird street	65
Blue Hill avenue	3,787
Bowdoin street	197
Brookford street	72
Centre street	50
Danube street	201
Dewey street	651
Dorchester avenue	233
Draper court	105
Edwin street	163
Eldon street	80
Erie street	252
Fenelon street	668
Geneva avenue	882
Greenbrier street	1,579
Hartland street	190
Howard avenue	197
Ingleside street	208
Josephine street	100
Lauriat avenue	4,800
Morse street	693
Park street	402
Robinson street	104
Richmond street	200
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<i>Carried forward</i>	17,258

	Lin. ft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	17,258
Rosedale street	52
Roslin street	272
Sagamore street	53
Salcombe street	1,417
Sydney street	100
Talbot avenue	207
Washington street	537
Welles avenue	155
Westville street	132
Wheatland avenue	87
Wilder street	877
Sundry streets in small quantities	220
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	21,367
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WEST ROXBURY.

Wards 22 and 23, in whole or in part. (Paving District No. 5.)

	Lin. ft.
Ashland street	75
Birch street	78
Boylston street	514
Cheshire street	60
Clive street	171
Cohasset street	100
Corey street	86
Forest Hills street	225
Florence street	99
Hyde Park avenue	67
Keyes street	156
Mt. Vernon street	102
Peter Parley street	292
South street	79
Washington street	348
Sundry streets in small quantities	46
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	2,498
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BACK BAY.

Wards 10, 11 and 19, in whole or in part. (Paving District No. 9.)

	Lin. ft.
Audubon road	834
Bay State road	1,562
Beacon street	70
Boylston street	5,629
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<i>Carried forward</i>	8,095

	Lin. ft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	8,095
Dundee street	70
Falmouth street	177
Granby street	716
Huntington avenue	32,405
Marlboro' street	200
Norway street	116
Scotia street	60
Sundry streets in small quantities	78
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	<u>41,917</u>

BRIGHTON.

Ward 25. (Paving District No. 4.)

	Lin. ft.
Brighton avenue	7,042
Commonwealth avenue	1,230
Linden street	125
Reedsdale street	110
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	<u>8,507</u>

CHARLESTOWN.

Wards 3, 4 and 5. (Paving District No. 3.)

	Lin. ft.
St. Martin street	645
Union street	146
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	<u>791</u>

RECAPITULATION.

	Lin. ft.
City proper	1,697
Roxbury	20,111
South Boston	3,855
East Boston	807
Dorchester	21,367
West Roxbury	2,498
Back Bay	41,917
Brighton	8,507
Charlestown	791
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	<u>101,550</u>

Edgestones and Sidewalks.*New Edgestones. (First setting.) Lin. Ft.*

YEAR.	City Proper.	Roxbury.	South Boston.	East Boston.	Dorchester.	West Roxbury.	Brighton.	Charlestown.	Back Bay.	Total.
1891.....	8,236	22,693	11,724	4,131	18,138	4,617	2,032	2,227	.....	73,798
1892.....	9,222	25,506	9,631	11,238	36,859	9,970	9,001	2,804	.....	114,231
1893.....	1,118	14,979	4,372	1,969	10,587	4,795	3,981	.....	.....	41,804
1894.....	1,916	39,324	521	816	6,544	1,568	1,323	694	.....	52,706
1895.....	2,990	17,053	2,097	1,146	15,205	8,319	4,191	668	.....	51,669
1896.....	1,697	20,111	3,855	807	21,367	2,498	8,507	791	41,917	101,550
Totals.....	25,179	139,666	32,203	20,107	108,700	31,767	29,035	7,184	41,917	435,758

NEW BRICK SIDEWALKS.

The following tables show the number of square yards of brick sidewalks laid during the year: —

CITY PROPER.

*Wards 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 17 and 18, in whole or in part.
(Paving Districts Nos. 8 and 10.)*

	Sq. yds.
Albany street	103
East Dedham street	75
East Lenox street	170
East Newton street	67
Fellows street	60
Flagg street	100
Harrison avenue	140
Massachusetts avenue	200
Northampton street	75
Sundry streets in small quantities	54
	<u>1,044</u>

ROXBURY.

Wards 16, 17, 18, 19, 21 and 22, in whole or in part. (Paving District, No. 7.)

	Sq. yds.
Bower street	73
Camden street	53
Carried forward	<u>126</u>

	Sq. yds.
<i>Carried forward</i>	126
Centre street	172
Cedar street	166
Cobden street	50
Columbus avenue	11,500
Dean street	128
Dennis street	113
Dudley street	193
Egleston street	66
Elm Hill avenue	88
Farnham street	52
Fenno street	182
Glenwood street	62
Georgia street	333
Howland street	226
Humboldt avenue	152
Hunneman street	100
Hutchings street	98
Howland street	226
Langdon street	67
Lamont street	75
Lambert street	65
Moreland street	50
Northampton street	53
Oakland street	57
Parker street	112
Paul Gore street	128
Pontine street	66
Reed street	75
Regent street	60
Roxbury street	111
Rockland street	70
St. Alphonsus street	51
Southwood street	154
Walnut avenue	96
Whiting street	104
Windsor street	57
Woodward avenue	50
Sundry streets in small quantities	363
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	15,897

SOUTH BOSTON.

*Wards 13, 14, 15 and 16, in whole or in part. (Paving
District No. 1.)*

	Sq. yds.
Bellflower street	100
Broadway	50
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<i>Brought forward</i>	150

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	Sq. yds.
<i>Brought forward</i>	150
Buttonwood street	184
D street	85
Dorchester avenue	156
East Eighth street	177
East Fifth street	186
East Second street	50
East Seventh street	160
East Sixth street	68
East Third street	127
Emerson street	50
H street	236
Harvest street	120
Howell street	143
L street	210
N street	52
Washburn street	98
Sundry streets in small quantities	62
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	2,314
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EAST BOSTON.

Wards 1 and 2. (Paving District No. 2.)

	Sq. yds.
Border street	85
Morris street	54
Paris street	70
Sundry streets in small quantities	172
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	381
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DORCHESTER.

Wards 16, 20 and 24, in whole or in part. (Paving District No. 6.)

	Sq. yds.
Alban street	178
Armandine street	333
Bird street	50
Brookford street	55
Buttonwood street	100
Blue Hill avenue	99
Dewey street	275
Dorchester avenue	251
Erie street	57
Mt. Vernon street	269
Stoughton street	110
Talbot avenue	214
Washington street	375
Welles avenue	110
Sundry streets in small quantities	140
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	2,616
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WEST ROXBURY.

Wards 22 and 23, in whole or in part. (Paving District No. 5.)

	Sq. yds.
Boylston street	164
Centre street	70
Green street	70
Keyes street	77
Sundry streets in small quantities	161
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BACK BAY.

Wards 10, 11 and 19, in whole or in part. (Paving District No. 9.)

	Sq. yds.
Beacon street	200
Falmouth street	138
Huntington avenue	4,380
Norway street	70
Newbury street	100
Parker street	50
St. Botolph street	135
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	5,073
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CHARLESTOWN.

Wards 3, 4 and 5. (Paving District No. 3.)

	Sq. yds.
Beach street	85
Sprague street	68
Union street	80
Walnut street	55
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	288
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RECAPITULATION.

	Sq. yds.
City Proper	1,044
Roxbury	15,897
South Boston	2,314
East Boston	381
Dorchester	2,616
West Roxbury	542
Back Bay	5,073
Charlestown	288
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	28,155
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New Brick Sidewalks.*First laying. Square yards.*

YEAR.	City Proper.	Roxbury.	South Boston.	East Boston.	Dorchester.	West Roxbury.	Brighton.	Charlestown.	Back Bay.	Total.
1891	3,881	9,098	3,628	2,176	1,478	967	377	120	.....	21,725
1892	10,423	20,231	4,484	12,847	10,462	2,905	1,068	3,451	.....	65,871
1893	964	5,912	751	2,197	2,412	350	.....	175	.....	12,761
1894	1,537	11,533	2,706	2,115	453	834	.....	437	.....	19,615
1895	4,103	6,246	1,946	1,151	2,146	1,734	2,968	408	.....	20,632
1896	1,044	15,897	2,314	381	2,616	542	.....	288	5,073	28,155
Totals.....	21,952	68,917	15,819	20,867	19,567	7,332	4,353	4,879	5,073	168,759

**PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF THE DEPUTY
SUPERINTENDENT OF PAVING DIVISION.**

Buildings and wharf on Albany street, opposite Sharon street. The building is of brick and wood, and covers some 8,000 square feet of land, and is divided into a shed for storage, blacksmith's and carpenter's shops, tool-room and stable. The total contents of the lot, including wharf and building, are 63,180 square feet.

Fort-Hill wharf, containing 21,054 square feet, placed in charge of the Paving Department May 18, 1874, to be used for the landing and storage of paving-blocks and gravel until such time as said wharf shall be wanted for the extension of Oliver street. The greater part of said wharf is occupied by the Sanitary Division as a garbage-dump, and the building thereon is leased to a tenant.

Lot on Chelsea, Marion and Paris streets, East Boston, containing 43,550 square feet. Part of this lot used by the Sewer Division.

Ledge lot on Washington street, corner Dimock street, Roxbury, containing 134,671 square feet. Upon this lot are buildings containing a steam-engine and stone-crusher.

Highland-street Stable lot. Upon this lot is a large brick stable, erected in 1873, and occupied by the Sanitary and Paving Divisions; also a brick building used as a blacksmith's shop, and a shed for the storage of tools, etc.

Ledge lot on Codman street, Dorchester, containing 299,000 square feet, was purchased in 1870. Upon this lot is a shed containing a steam-engine and stone-crusher; also a stable and tool-house.

On the Almshouse lot, Hancock street, Dorchester, there are two stables; also a shed and tool-house.

Ledge lot on Magnolia street and Bird place, Dorchester, containing 81,068 square feet. This lot was purchased by the town of Dorchester in 1867.

Downer-avenue lot, Dorchester, containing 35,300 square feet.

On Child street, West Roxbury, a lot of land containing 43,024 square feet, upon which are a stable and shed, blacksmith's shop, and tool-house.

Gravel lot in the town of Milton, on Brush Hill road, containing 64,523 square feet, hired by the town of Dorchester for nine hundred and ninety-nine years.

Gravel lot on Morton street, Ward 23, containing about one-third of an acre, purchased by the town of West Roxbury in 1870, used for storage purposes.

Ledge and gravel lot, rear of Union street, containing about 37,000 square feet, purchased by the town of Brighton. This lot is at present leased.

Ledge lot on Chestnut Hill avenue, Brighton, containing about thirteen acres, upon which are an office, engine-house, stable and crusher plant.

On Medford street, Charlestown, a wharf lot, foot of Elm street, containing 8,000 feet, upon which are sheds, office, stable, etc.

In South Boston, corner of H and Ninth streets, stable, carriage-house, shed, tool-house and office on leased land.

On Hereford street, a yard with shed, tool-house and office.

Wharf, known as Atkin's wharf, 521 Commercial street, purchased in 1887 for \$24,000, containing 22,553 square feet, having on it an office and stable.

On Kenney street, Roxbury, buildings containing engines, stone-crushers, tools, etc., on leased land.

On Centre street, West Roxbury, buildings containing engines, stone-crushers, tools, etc., on leased land.

On Rosseter street, Dorchester, buildings containing engines, stone-crushers, tools, etc., on leased land.

On Heath street, Roxbury, buildings containing engines, stone-crushers, tools, etc., on leased land.

On Revere street, wharf for storing paving blocks, etc.

Streets Laid Out or Extended.

DATE.	Street.	Location.	Length, Lin. ft.
Dec. 29,	Abbotsford st.	From Harold st. to Crawford st., Roxbury	60.00
May 6,	Athelwold st..	From School st. to Kilton st., Dorchester	1,031.00
Nov. 21,	Atherton st...	From Amory st. to Lamartine st., Roxbury	650.23
July 10,	Chamberl'n st.	From Harvard st. to Algonquin st., Dorchester	459.60
May 7,	Edwin st.	From Dorchester av. to Shawmut park, Dorchester	1,168.00
July 10,	Elizabeth st...	From Norfolk st. to Astoria st., Dorchester	280.43
*June 2,	Fenelon st.	(Formerly Burbank st.) from Washington st. to Merrill st., Dorchester	308.74
Oct. 12,	Fullerton st...	(Formerly Miner st.) from Brook- line av. to Fairhaven st., Back Bay	447.04
July 10,	Gaylord st....	(Formerly Cook st.) from Wash- ington st. to Chamberlain st., Dorchester	433.97
*Nov. 18,	Ellet st.....	From Adams st. to Dorchester av., Dorchester	425.28
Dec. 12,	Judson st.....	Over part of a private way known as Dromey av. to Brookford st., Roxbury and Dorchester.....	217.00
Feb. 15,	Laconia st. ...	(Formerly Ashland pl.) from Washington st. to Harrison av., City Proper	307.75
Oct. 12,	Leicester st...	From Bennett st. to Washington st., Brighton	764.57
Nov. 2,	Leonard st....	From Duncan st. to Clayton st., Dorchester	430.14
June 2,	Morse st.....	From Washington st. to Bowdoin av., Dorchester	316.41
July 10,	Norway st. ...	(Formerly Caledonia st.) from Massachusetts av. to Parker st., Back Bay.....	683.48
Nov. 16,	Peterboro' st..	From Boylston road to Audubon road, Back Bay	1,840.73
Jan. 2,	Pontine st....	From Batchelder st. to Clifton st., Dorchester	383.00
May 29,	Reed st.....	From Thorndike st. to Hunne- man st., City Proper and Rox.. Dorchester	354.98
June 10,	Ruggles st....	From Parker st. to Back Bay Fens, Roxbury	945.21
June 30,	St. Botolph st.	From Massachusetts av. to Gains- borough st., Back Bay	566.86
May 11,	St. Martin st..	(Formerly Quincy st.) from Bun- ker Hill st. to Medford st., Charlestown.....	513.46
		<i>Carried forward</i>	12,587.88

Streets Laid Out or Extended — Concluded.

DATE.	Street.	Location.	Length, Lin. ft.
		<i>Brought forward.....</i>	12,587.88
Nov. 11,	Tappan st....	From South st., W. Roxbury....	446.51
Sept. 17,	Union st.....	From Washington st. to Lynde st., Charlestown.....	70.21
May 20,	Vancouver st..	From Huntington av. to Ruggles st., extended to the Back Bay Fens, Roxbury.....	253.94
May 29,	Whiting st....	(Formerly Homer pl.) from More- land st. to Winthrop st., Rox...	320.00
July 10,	Wilder st....	From Washington st. to Geneva av., Dorchester.....	523.29
July 10,	Wolcott st....	From Columbia st. to Erie st., Dorchester.....	672 64
Oct. 29,	Woodward pk.	From Howard av. to Folsom st., Dorchester.....	403.18
			15,277.65

Streets Widened and Relocated.

DATE.	Street.	Location.	Sq. ft.
July 10,	Clinton st....	From Fulton st. to Commercial st., City Proper.....	4,887
Sept. 17,	Centre st.....	From Washington st. to Reming- ton st., Dorchester.....	28,242
Nov. 27,	McLellan st..	Between Erie st. and Blue Hill av., Dorchester.....	.....
May 9,	Prentiss st. . .	On southwesterly side at N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R., Roxbury....	97
Dec. 24,	River st.....	Between Oakland st. and Blue av., Dorchester.....	3,027
Nov. 21,	Ruggles st....	At corner of Columbus av., Rox..	408
Oct. 19,	State st.....	At corner of Devonshire st.....	46
May 23,	Tremont st..	Between Columbus av. and Lin- den Park st.....	124
Jan. 21,	Washington st.	Between Dale st. and Circuit st., Roxbury.....	.....
Oct. 29,	Washington st.	Between Brent st. and Welles av., Dorchester.....	1,647
			38,478

Streets Discontinued.

DATE.	Street.	Location.	Sq. ft.
Oct. 19,	State st.....	At corner of Congress sq., City Proper.....	59
Feb. 4,	Windsor st....	Portions northwesterly and southeasterly of the extension of Columbus av., Roxbury.....	2,235
			2,294

Streets Ordered to Be Constructed.

DATE.	Street.	Location.
Aug. 7,	Athelwold st....	From School st. to Kilton st. Dorchester.
July 10,	Chamberlain st..	From Harvard st. to Algonquin st., Dor.
“ “	Elizabeth st.	From Norfolk st. to Astoria st., Dor.
Nov. 18,	Ellet st.....	From Adams st. to Dorchester av., Dor.
June 2,	Fenelon st.	(Formerly Burbank st.) from Washington st. to Merrill st., Dorchester.
Oct. 12,	Fullerton st.....	(Formerly Miner st.) from Brookline av. to Fairhaven st., Back Bay.
July 10,	Gaylord st.....	(Formerly Cook st.) from Washington st. to Chamberlain st., Dorchester.
June 2,	Morse st.....	From Washington st. to Bowdoin av., Dor.
July 10,	Norway st.	(Formerly Caledonia st.) from Massachusetts av. to Parker st., Back Bay.
Nov. 16,	Peterboro' st....	From Boylston road to Audubon road, Back Bay.
June 10,	Ruggles st.	From Parker st. to Back Bay Fens, Back Bay.
Jan. 29,	Turner st.	From Haviland st. to Astor st., Back Bay.
May 20,	Vancouver st....	From Huntington av. to Ruggles st., extended to the Back Bay Fens, Roxbury.
July 10,	Wilder st.....	From Washington st. to Geneva av., Dor.
“ “	Wolcott st.....	From Columbia st. to Erie st., Dor.

Names of Streets Changed.

DATE.	Street.	Location.
March 4,	Back st.....	Now Harvard st, Dorchester and West Roxbury.....
March 4,	Bread st.....	Now Franklin st., City Proper.....
March 4,	Hamilton.....	Now Batterymarch st., City Proper.....

The records of the Street Commissioners for the year 1896, show the following results:—

Streets laid out or extended	15,277.65 lin. feet
Streets widened and relocated	38,477 sq. feet
Streets discontinued	2,294 sq. feet
Increase in mileage	2.89 + miles.

PERMIT OFFICE.

Permits have been issued from the Permit Office during the year ending Jan. 31, 1897, as follows:—

STREET OPENINGS.

Name.	Permits.	Openings.	Feet.
American Telegraph Co. . .	4	24	72
Boston Electric Light Co. .	438	584	61,977
Boston Fire Department . .	48	90	3,541
Boston Gaslight Co. . . .	657	657	46,476
Boston & Albany R.R. Co. .	6	6	240
Boston Lamp Department .	44	44	421
Boston Low Tension Wire Association	39	39	4,501
Boston & Maine R.R. Co. . .	12	12	1,000
Boston Park Department . .	6	6	295
Boston Sewer Division . . .	155	155	29,929
Boston Transit Commission .	15	15	265
Boston Water Department Eastern Division	3,347	3,347	162,175
Boston Water Department Mystic Division	279	279	7,643
Brookline Gaslight Co. . . .	812	812	36,604
Charlestown Gaslight Co. . .	64	64	5,338
Church Green Light & Power Co.	6	6	1,490
Dorchester Gaslight Co. . . .	488	488	36,268
Edison Electric Illuminating Co.,	559	559	42,995
East Boston Gaslight Co. . .	145	145	7,978
Jamaica Plain Gaslight Co. .	228	228	17,762
Lynn & Boston R.R. Co. . . .	3	3	1,900
Metropolitan Sewerage Commission	9	9	830
Metropolitan Construction Co. .	7	7	12,350
New England Telegraph & Telephone Co., of Mass. . . .	389	1,393	50,101
New England Telegraph Co. . .	1	1	3
N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. Co. . .	4	4	130
N. Y. & N. E. R.R. Co. . . .	4	4	2,650
Norfolk Suburban Street R.R. Co.	6	6	295
Postal Telegraph Cable Co. . .	15	38	1,244
Quincy Market Cold Storage Co.	24	24	5,215
Roxbury Gaslight Co.	270	270	37,522
South Boston Gaslight Co. . .	248	248	10,865
Union Freight R.R. Co.	4	4	364
West End Street Railway Co. .	416	1,608	302,295
Western Union Telegraph Co. .	35	560	5,612
West Roxbury & Roslindale Street R.R. Co.	11	764	44,550
Miscellaneous	2,432	2,433	109,587
Totals	<u>11,289</u>	<u>15,017</u>	<u>1,055,171</u>

There were also 2,075 openings made between Feb. 1, 1896 and Jan. 1, 1897, on emergency permits issued Jan. 1, 1896.

On Jan. 1, 1897, the new form of emergency permits went into effect, and there were 215 openings to Feb. 1, 1897.

These openings as near as can be ascertained averaged about 6 feet each, making 13,740 feet.

Making the total length of openings about 229.7 miles.

Permits other than for opening streets have been issued as follows:—

Advertising, by man wearing hat and coat lettered	29
Clearing snow from roof	53
Driving cattle	3
Distributing sand	9
Erecting projections (illuminated signs, etc.)	310
Erecting, repairing and removing awnings	4,264
Erecting and repairing buildings	7,216
Feeding horses on the street	1,064
Moving buildings	42
Occupying sidewalk for loading and unloading goods	15
Pedlers, four different classes	877
Placing signs flat on buildings	2,138
Raising and lowering safes, machinery, etc.	522
Special for various purposes	230
Watering carts	110

Total	<u>16,882</u>
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Total number permits for street openings	11,289
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Total number permits for all other purposes	16,882
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Grand total	<u>28,171</u>
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There have been 60 applications for permits to sell fruit from windows, doorways and areas, and for occupying sidewalks for loading or unloading goods, and these were referred to the Board of Police for report as to location, etc., and their recommendation has been carefully considered in the issuance of these permits.

Previous to April 25, 1896, there were 13,390 notices sent to the various foremen directing them to repair defects in the streets, which had been reported by the police or others; also 1,074 to private parties to repair work improperly done, where permits had been granted to open the streets, and to owners of estates where coal-holes, sidewalk-lights, etc., were defective. After that date the Superintendent of Inspectors assumed charge of the Inspectors, and 3,834 notices were sent to private individuals and 135 claims for damages investigated.

Four hundred and sixty-one notices have been sent to departments, and others, regarding proposed street improvements.

Three hundred and eighty-three new bonds were filed this year, and these with all bonds previously filed are now being investigated by a clerk specially detailed.

STREET-NUMBERING.

Numbers have been assigned to the estates in the different districts as follows:—

City Proper . .	8 whole streets, and 63 parts of streets
Dorchester . .	18 whole streets, and 73 parts of streets
Roxbury . .	8 whole streets, and 46 parts of streets
W. Roxbury . .	4 whole streets, and 33 parts of streets
Brighton . .	1 whole streets, and 25 parts of streets
South Boston . .	2 whole streets, and 32 parts of streets
Charlestown . .	1 whole street, and 11 parts of streets
East Boston 18 parts of streets

Total . .	42 whole streets, and 301 parts of streets
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About 5,000 figures were required for this work.

APPENDIX D.

REPORT OF DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF THE
SANITARY DIVISION.ROOMS 917 to 920, TREMONT BUILDING,
BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1897.BENJ. W. WELLS, ESQ., *Superintendent of Streets*:

DEAR SIR : — I respectfully submit the annual report of the expenditures, income, and operation of the Sanitary Division of the Street Department for the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1897.

Yours respectfully,

PATRICK O'SHEA,
Deputy Superintendent.

The work of the Sanitary Division includes the removal of house-offal and the removal of house and store dirt and ashes, accumulated from the burning of materials for heating buildings and for domestic purposes.

The following table shows the amounts expended for the maintenance of the Sanitary Division for the past five (5) years : —

1892	\$469,370 74
1893	481,300 63
1894	467,459 02
1895	432,778 52
1896	476,807 34

Comparative Table Showing Net Cost of Maintenance of the
Sanitary Division to the City of Boston.

	Expended.	Income.	Net cost to City.
1892	\$469,370 74	\$36,426 16	\$432,944 58
1893	481,300 63	32,056 27	449,244 36
1894	467,459 02	42,320 55	425,638 47
1895	432,778 52	42,985 53	389,792 99
1896	477,241 54	36,146 77	441,094 77

The present system of disposal of offal and garbage in this city is expensive and unsatisfactory, and early action should be taken looking to the introduction of more modern and sanitary methods. Cremation or reduction process works, properly located, and constructed and operated with due care, could be established with advantage to the general public, and without offence to the individual.

The City Government should make a sufficient appropriation to accomplish this object.

But few complaints have been received concerning the failure of the division to promptly remove offal and ashes; investigation of these has usually shown that either offal has not been properly separated from ashes or other refuse, as is insisted upon by the department, or else that the receptacles were deposited in some inaccessible place, or were larger than the ordinances provide and the regulations of the department permit.

In order that householders might understand these regulations, and that the work be not unnecessarily delayed, the following circular was issued:—

CITY OF BOSTON.

Notice to Housekeepers and Tenants.

Housekeepers and other occupants of dwellings are requested to place their house and cellar dirt and sweepings in the streets opposite their premises between the hours of sunrise and 2 o'clock, P.M., of the following days: Monday, May 4; Tuesday, May 5; Wednesday, May 6; Thursday, May 7; Friday, May 8; when they will be removed by the city carts. After which times no person will be allowed to place any dirt, ashes, filth or rubbish of any kind whatever, in any of the ways, streets or places of the city, without a permit from the Superintendent of Streets.

Dirt of any kind not to be placed in the streets on Saturday.

BENJ. W. WELLS,
Superintendent of Streets.

CITY HALL, BOSTON, 1896.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

On and after above-named days, ashes, etc., in order to be removed by city carts, must be placed in receptacles not larger than an ordinary flour barrel, and in a position on a level with the grade of the adjoining sidewalk.

Vault filth, offal, bricks and mortar, gravel and earth, garden rakings and shrubbery, are not included in the above, and will not be removed by the city if placed in the streets.

NOTE.—This circular, printed in English, Hebrew, and Italian, was posted in prominent places by the regular bill-posting companies, and for a week was also carried on the sides of all the wagons and carts owned by this division.

During the past year the shops of the division at the South Yard have been continued. These are now established with competent mechanics upon the same basis as any journeyman shop in the city, and the repairs and some constructive work of this and other divisions has been done cheaply and well. They consist of a wheelwright and blacksmith shop, paint shop, harness shop, and horse-shoeing shop, and a statement of the work performed will be found later in Appendix

The following table shows the number of loads of offal collected and removed in the last five (5) years:—

AMOUNT OF HOUSE OFFAL REMOVED.

Year.	No. of Loads.
1892	46,343
1893	51,415
1894	50,637
1895	51,327
1896	56,402

Each load of offal is equivalent to fifty-seven (57) cubic feet and has a maximum weight of one and one-half ($1\frac{1}{2}$) tons at certain seasons of the year.

The above table does not include previous to the year 1893 the amount collected by contract in East Boston and Brighton, which amounted to about 5,100 loads per year. Of the amount (56,402 loads) collected during the year 1896, 3,786 were collected by the East Boston contractor, 1,362 were collected by the Brighton contractor, and 4,707 were collected by the Dorchester contractor, and 703 loads were collected by the West Roxbury contractor, leaving 45,844 loads collected by city teams.

The collection of this material is attended to in winter by an average regular force of 75 city offal carts and 171 men, and on contract work 17 offal carts and 34 men; making a total of 92 offal carts and 205 men. At different times, and especially in summer, an approximate extra force of 21 teams and 42 men are employed.

The disposal has been made during the year in the following manner: The offal from the markets, and offal that is decayed, is put on board a scow and towed to sea; the offal of Charlestown is taken to the yard at Malden bridge and there disposed of to farmers; the offal of East Boston is collected by contractors, and is removed to Revere; the offal of the City Proper and South Boston is conveyed to the yard at the South End, and disposed of to farmers, who remove it daily; the offal of Roxbury and a part of West Roxbury is conveyed to the yard on Highland street, and disposed of to farmers; a portion of the collections of West Roxbury is collected by contract and removed to Needham; the offal of Brighton is collected by contract and disposed of outside of the district; the offal in Dorchester, collected by the contractor who sells it to farmers from his own offal-sheds near Commercial Point.

Collection and Disposal of Offal.

YEAR.	Total amount collected.	Amount sold.	Amount dumped on scow and towed to sea or wasted.	Per cent wasted to total collection.	Amount of receipts from sales.
1892 ¹	46,343 loads.	30,773 loads.	15,570 loads.	33 per cent.	\$21,282 82
1893 ²	46,276 "	30,824 "	15,363 "	30 " "	20,790 03
1894 ³	42,082 "	37,057 "	5,025 "	12 " "	26,262 40
1895 ⁴	41,480 "	36,620 "	4,860 "	12 " "	27,374 47
1896 ⁵	45,844 "	35,549 "	10,295 "	22 " "	21,187 76

^{1,2}Twelve months. Above table does not include contracts in East Boston and Brighton.

³In East Boston, 3,720 loads; Brighton, 1,539 loads; Dorchester, 3,296 loads; total, 8,555 loads, — collected during 1894 are not included in above table. For 1891 and 1892, East Boston and Brighton were estimated at 5,100 loads.

⁴In East Boston, 3,732 loads; Brighton, 1,419 loads; Dorchester 4,179 loads; West Roxbury, 517 loads; total, 9,847 loads, — collected during 1895, not included in above table.

⁵In East Boston, 3,786 loads; Brighton, 1,362 loads; Dorchester, 4,707 loads; West Roxbury, 703 loads; total, 10,558 loads, — collected during 1896 not included in above table.

The following table shows in convenient form the full force engaged in the collection of offal alone throughout the entire city:—

The Force Employed.

CITY FORCE.		Hired teams.	CONTRACTORS' TEAMS.				Total.
			E. Boston.	Brighton.	Dorch'ter.	W.Roxbury.	
Sub-Foremen...	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5
Inspectors.....	5	.....	1	1	1	.....	8
Offal Clerks....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Teamsters.....	68	7	6	2	7	2	92
Helpers	72	7	6	2	7	2	96
Dumpers	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Totals	153	14	13	5	15	5	205

REMOVAL OF ASHES AND HOUSE DIRT.

The removal of ashes, house and store dirt, has been attended to during the year by a minimum force of 250 men and 105 city carts, also by 6 carts with an East Boston contractor, 5 carts with a South Boston contractor, 10 carts with a Dorchester contractor, and 3 carts with a West Roxbury contractor. At different times, and especially during the winter months, an additional force of 43 teams and 86 men are employed.

This work shows a constant increase from year to year, as will be seen in the following table, and is an indication of the actual growth of the city:—

AMOUNT OF ASHES, HOUSE AND STORE DIRT REMOVED.

Year.											No. of Loads.
1892	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	303,878
1893	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	320,571
1894	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	326,798
1895	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	336,886
1896	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	363,975

Each load of ashes contains about 44 cubic feet.

The following table shows in convenient form the force engaged in this collection throughout the entire city: —

The Force Employed.

CITY FORCE.		Hired Teams.	CONTRACTORS' TEAMS.					Total.
			West So. Boston.	North Dorchester.	South Dorchester.	East Boston.	West Roxbury.	
Sub-Foremen.....	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	8
Inspectors.....	9	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	12
Tallymen.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6
Teamsters.....	105	43	5	5	5	6	3	172
Helpers.....	107	43	5	5	5	6	3	174
Dampers.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	16
Total.....	250	86	11	11	10	13	7	388

Comparative Statement of Number of Loads of Ashes Collected during 16 Weeks of the Summer and 16 Weeks of the Winter.

Summer.	Loads.	Winter.	Loads.	Difference for Winter.
Apr. 30, 1892, to Aug. 19, 1892	82,034	Oct. 30, 1892, to Feb. 12, 1893	106,772	24,738
“ 29, 1893, “ “ 18, 1893	91,721	“ 28, 1893, “ “ 16, 1894	106,851	15,130
“ 27, 1894, “ “ 16, 1894	88,865	“ 25, 1894, “ “ 7, 1895	116,915	28,050
“ 26, 1895, “ “ 15, 1895	94,671	“ 18, 1895, “ “ 6, 1896	121,873	27,202
“ 30, 1896, “ “ 13, 1896	101,135	“ 16, 1896, “ Jan. 28, 1897	117,214	16,079

Final Disposition of all material collected from Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897, together with the portion of street sweepings and cesspool dirt, disposed of for other divisions by the Sanitary Division is shown in the following table: —

	Amount collected.	Deposited on low lands.	Towed to sea.	Collected by contractors.	Sold to farmers.
	Loads.	Loads.	Loads.	Loads.	Loads.
Ashes, house and store dirt,	363,975	220,907	102,491	40,577	
House offal.....	56,402	.....	7,910	110,558	37,754
Street sweepings.....	36,072	.....	36,072		
Cesspool dirt....	1,011	.....	1,011		
	457,460	220,907	147,484	51,135	37,754

¹ This amount is included in the amount collected, 56,402. Of the 10,558 loads, 3,786 were collected in East Boston, 1,362 in Brighton, 4,707 in Dorchester, and 703 in West Roxbury.

The total expenditures of the division, including work done for other divisions and paid for by them, was .	\$508,443 23
Less amount so repaid	31,201 69
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Cash paid and bills rendered to City Collector . . .	\$477,241 54
	36,146 77
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Net cost of maintenance of Sanitary Division, Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897	\$441,094 77

Details of expenditures, income, and operation will be found in Appendix D.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount of appropriation	\$435,000 00
Transferred from Soldiers' Relief Fund	11,000 00
Transferred from Police Department	29,330 39
Transferred from Surplus Revenue	1,911 15
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Total amount appropriation	\$477,241 54
Total amount expended	477,241 54

INCOME.

Amount of moneys deposited and bills presented to the City Collector for collection for material sold and work performed by the Sanitary Division of the Street Department during the year ending Jan. 31, 1897.

Moneys deposited with City Collector.

From sale of house offal	\$21,187 76
From letting of scow privileges	696 35
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	\$21,884 11

Bills deposited with the City Collector.

For the removal of engine ashes	\$12,642 66
For the sale of manure	591 60
For the letting of scow privileges	28 40
For the letting of Fort Hill Wharf	1,000 00
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	\$14,262 66
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	\$36,146 77
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Amount collected by the City Collector	<u>\$27,735 68</u>

Objects of Expenditures.

Items.	Total amount expended.	Amount paid by other Divisions.	Amounts charged to the Sanitary Division
For salaries of Deputy Superintendent and clerks in office,	\$9,707 70	.....	\$9,707 70
For labor in collecting and removing house dirt and ashes,	135,815 71	.....	135,815 71
For labor in collecting and removing house offal.....	87,034 11	.....	87,034 11
For labor of foremen.....	7,438 97	.....	7,438 97
For labor of sub-foremen and inspectors collecting house dirt and ashes.....	10,696 29	.....	10,696 29
For labor of sub-foremen and inspectors collecting house offal.....	7,111 30	.....	7,111 30
For labor of men employed in stables and yards.....	20,210 15	.....	20,210 15
For holidays (allowed time)..	17,307 56	.....	17,307 56
For labor, stock, and tools used in blacksmith shop.....	6,512 72	.....	6,512 72
For labor, stock, and tools used in wheelwright shop.....	5,137 57	75 09	5,062 48
For labor, stock, and tools used in harness-shop.....	5,246 71	.....	5,246 71
For labor, stock, and tools used in paint shop	6,274 42	.....	6,274 42
For labor, stock, and tools used in horseshoeing shop	6,052 18	.....	6,052 18
For labor, rental, towage, etc., on account of dumping-scow,	18,795 40	.....	18,795 40
For shoeing horses (outside shops).....	2,412 37	8 00	2,404 37
For extra teams collecting ashes and house dirt.....	66,004 74	16,653 00	49,351 74
For extra teams collecting house offal.....	5,289 00	1,117 50	4,171 50
For grain used in stables.....	14,660 16	3,783 32	10,876 84
For hay and straw used in stables.....	17,018 86	4,588 59	12,430 27
For horses.....	7,031 00	2,611 00	4,420 00
For repairs on stables and sheds.....	2,010 59	.....	2,010 59
For fuel, gas, and electric lights.....	1,788 52	.....	1,788 52
For veterinary services and medicine for horses.....	2,370 09	.....	2,370 09
For printing, stationery, and advertising.....	1,807 40	242 06	1,565 34
For water rates	854 60	14 00	840 60
For ash stock, consisting of cart-covers, baskets, etc.....	377 55	156 00	221 55
For offal stock, consisting of buckets, etc.....	399 35	.....	399 35
<i>Carried forward.....</i>	<i>\$465,365 02</i>	<i>\$29,248 56</i>	<i>\$436,116 46</i>

Items.	Total amount expended.	Amount paid by other Divisions.	Amounts charged to the Sanitary Division
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$465,365 02	\$29,248 56	\$436,116 46
For stable stock, consisting of curry combs, brushes, etc....	1,693 26	13 18	1,680 08
For collecting house dirt and ashes in East Boston.....	7,400 00	608 33	6,791 67
For collecting house dirt and ashes in South Boston, west of Dorchester st.	1,496 25	.....	1,496 25
For collecting house dirt and ashes in Dorchester, south of Park, School, and Harvard sts.....	3,985 00	323 75	3,661 25
For collecting house dirt and ashes in Dorchester, north of Park, School, and Har- vard sts.....	4,387 50	365 62	4,021 88
For collecting house dirt and ashes in West Roxbury, south of Pond, May, Arbor- way, and Morton sts.....	1,700 00	.....	1,700 00
For collecting house offal in East Boston	8,000 00	.....	8,000 00
For collecting house offal in Brighton	2,000 00	.....	2,000 00
For collecting house offal in part of West Roxbury.....	1,488 00	.....	1,488 00
For collecting house offal in Dorchester	7,500 00	625 00	6,875 00
For incidental expenses	3,428 20	17 25	3,410 95
	\$508,443 23	\$31,201 69	\$477,241 54
Telephone	\$657 04		
Travelling expenses ..	817 80		
Board of horses	610 05		
Rent of stables	600 00		
Goddard buggy	390 00		
Miscellaneous sup- plies for office.....	284 08		
Miscellaneous sup- plies for stable	29 03		
Damage by city team,	20 25		
Use of horses	13 45		
Newspapers	6 50		
	\$3,428 20		
Paid by Street-Cleaning Di- vision			22,740 49
Paid by Paving Division.....			3,947 40
Paid by Sewer Division.....			2,043 40
Paid by Bridge Division.....			400 60
Paid by Street-Watering Di- vision			398 50
Paid by Central Office			108 30
Paid by County of Suffolk....			1,442 00
Paid by City Engineer.....			71 00
Paid by Ferry Division			50 00
	\$508,443 23	\$31,201 69	\$508,443 23

Total Cost for Removal of House-dirt, Ashes and House-offal.**HOUSE-DIRT AND ASHES ACCOUNT.**

Expended for labor, as per pay-rolls . . .	\$146,512 00	
Expended for stock, etc., per ledger account, . . .	154,714 55	
Expended on contracts, South Boston . . .	1,496 25	
Expended on contracts, Dorchester . . .	8,372 50	
Expended on contracts, East Boston . . .	7,400 00	
Expended on contract, part of West Roxbury, . . .	1,700 00	
	<hr/>	\$320,195 30

HOUSE-OFFAL ACCOUNT.

Expended for labor, as per pay-rolls . . .	\$94,145 41	
Expended for stock, etc., as per ledger account . . .	61,978 52	
Expended on contract, East Boston . . .	8,000 00	
Expended on contract, Brighton . . .	2,000 00	
Expended on contract, Dorchester . . .	7,500 00	
Expended on contract, West Roxbury . . .	2,000 00	
	<hr/>	175,111 93
Salaries	\$9,707 70	
Incidentals	3,428 30	
	<hr/>	13,136 00
Total		<hr/> \$508,443 23 <hr/>

Comparative Table showing the Cost of Collecting Ashes and Offal and Delivering same at various Dumps.

Cost per cart-load, including administration expenses . . .	\$1 14
“ “ “ minus “ “ . . .	1 10
“ “ “ of ashes, hired teams, and contracts . . .	59
“ “ “ “ labor, hired teams, and contracts, . . .	88
“ “ “ “ offal, “ “ “ “ “ “ . . .	3 10
“ “ “ “ “ hired teams, and contracts . . .	1 85
“ “ dumping-boat load to transport garbage to sea . . .	55 94
“ “ cart-load “ “ “ “ “ . . .	13

Amount expended for the Collection of House-dirt, Ashes and House-offal, Labor, Hired Teams and Contracts.

DISTRICTS.	Expended for Collecting.	
	Ashes.	Offal.
1 — South Boston.....	\$16,603 74	\$8,334 00
2 — East Boston	7,681 25	8,270 75
3 — Charlestown.....	14,581 15	6,530 11
4 — Brighton.....	6,279 50	2,362 50
5 — West Roxbury.....	13,938 75	6,587 50
6 — Dorchester	8,839 00	7,939 50
7 — Roxbury	39,416 50	21,819 59
8, 9 — South End and Back Bay.....	73,270 79	52,001 91
10 — West and North End.....	50,874 81	4,576 55
Totals....	\$231,485 49	\$118,422 41

ASH CONTRACTS.

D. O'Sullivan.....	\$1,496 25	for territory, South Boston, west of Dorchester street.
W. F. Hedrington,	7,400 00	" " in East Boston.
Matthew E. Nawn,	1,700 00	" " West Roxbury, south of Pond street.
John McShane...	4,387 50	" " Dorchester, north of Park and School streets.
" " ...	3,985 00	" " Dorchester, south of Park and School streets.

OFFAL CONTRACTS.

Thomas Mulligan.	\$8,000 00	for territory in East Boston.
George T. Barnes.	1,488 00	" " West Roxbury.
John McShane....	7,500 00	" " Dorchester.
D. B. Morrill.....	2,000 00	" " Brighton.

Expenses of Dumping Boats.

Amount expended for towing by department tow-boat	\$5,786 34	
Amount expended for towing by hired tow-boat,	1,082 00	
		\$6,868 34
Amount expended for Repairs on boats	\$4,234 56	
" " " " wharf	309 26	
		4,543 82
Amount expended for Labor, Captain	\$1,750 00	
" " " " crews and dumpers,	4,513 63	
		6,263 63
Amount expended for Dredging	.	350 00
" " " Canvass dust protectors	.	453 25

INCIDENTALS.

Amount expended for Disinfectants	\$110 72	
" " " Manilla rope, blocks, etc.	63 30	
" " " Telephone, salt, etc.	76 87	
" " " Dories	41 08	
" " " Kerosene oil	5 04	
" " " Coal	12 87	
" " " Ferry tolls, etc.	6 48	
		316 36
		\$18,795 40
Number of trips to sea by department tow-boat	309	
" " " hired tow-boat	27	
		.336

Cost per trip, \$55.94.

Number of cart loads of garbage carried to sea, 147,484.

Cost per cart load, 13 cents.

Material Collected by Districts.

MATERIAL.	South End and Back Bay.	West.	Roxbury.	Charlestown.	Brighton.	S. Boston.	E. Boston.	Dorchester.	W. Roxbury.	Total Loads.
House dirt and ashes	106,755	88,669	57,339	21,031	9,802	25,240	11,112	23,099	20,928	363,975
House offal	24,053	2,244	10,325	2,665	1,362	4,092	3,786	4,707	3,030	56,402
Total.....	130,808	90,913	67,664	23,696	11,164	29,332	14,898	27,806	23,958	420,377

Disposition of Material Collected.

WHERE DUMPED.	Loads of House dirt and Ashes.	Loads of House offal.	Loads of Street sweepings, Street Cleaning Division.	Loads of Cesspool Matter, Sewer Division.	Total Loads.
Massachusetts ave., J. C. Cobb,	31,911	.....	.....	.....	31,911
First st., East Cambridge, J. T. Scully	20,603	.....	.....	.....	20,603
Ward st., Sewall-Day Co.	15,948	.....	.....	.....	15,948
Norfolk ave., J. J. Nawn	15,410	.....	.....	.....	15,410
Mill pond, Charlestown, City Park Department	13,063	.....	.....	.....	13,063
Huntington ave., J. C. Gallagher	10,903	.....	.....	.....	10,903
Vale st., Choate Burnham estate	10,661	.....	.....	.....	10,661
Centre st., Owen Nawn	10,030	.....	.....	.....	10,030
431 Medford st., City Park Department	7,958	.....	.....	.....	7,958
Harold st., J. Stone	7,382	.....	.....	.....	7,382
First st., cor. Congress, State of Massachusetts.....	6,539	.....	.....	.....	6,539
Williams st., Mrs. Carey.....	6,394	.....	.....	.....	6,394
Parker st., Mr. Bowers	5,725	.....	.....	.....	5,725
Swett st., J. C. Cobb	5,232	.....	.....	.....	5,232
May st., Seaverns estate	4,813	.....	.....	.....	4,813
Devon st., Frank Foster	4,691	.....	.....	.....	4,691
Maverick st., E. Boston Land Company	4,543	.....	.....	.....	4,543
Ninth & H sts., Thomas Hills, Proctor st., Mr. Brown	3,612	.....	.....	.....	3,612
Brighton ave., A. Timmins ...	3,523	.....	.....	.....	3,523
Prescott st., E. Boston Land Company	2,836	.....	.....	.....	2,836
Massachusetts ave., L. A. Brown	2,666	.....	.....	.....	2,666
.....	2,492	.....	.....	.....	2,492
<i>Brought forward.....</i>	196,935	.....	.....	.....	196,935

Deposition of Material Collected.—*Continued.*

WHERE DUMPED.	Loads of House dirt and Ashes.	Loads of House offal.	Loads of Street sweepings, Street Cleaning Division.	Loads of Cesspool Matter, Sewer Division.	Total Loads.
<i>Carried forward</i>	196,935	.....	.....	.....	196,935
Congress st., State of Massa- chusetts	2,357	.....	.....	.....	2,357
Condor st., John Hayes	2,279	.....	.....	.....	2,279
Brookline ave., Jas. H. Barry, Harold st., Harris estate.....	2,128	.....	.....	.....	2,128
Shirley st., Star Brewery	2,057	.....	.....	.....	2,057
Cottage st., Dorchester His- torical Society.....	2,042	.....	.....	.....	2,042
.....	2,009	.....	.....	.....	2,009
Various places, city teams....	20,362	.....	.....	.....	20,362
Various places, contracts.....	31,315	.....	.....	.....	31,315
At sea by scows	102,491	7,910	36,072	1,011	147,484
Sold to farmers .....	.....	37,934	.....	.....	37,934
E. Boston, by Thos. Mulligan, Brighton, by D. B. Morrill....	.....	3,786	.....	.....	3,786
Dorchester, by John McShane, W. Roxbury, by G. T. Barnes,	.....	1,362	.....	.....	1,362
.....	.....	4,707	.....	.....	4,707
.....	.....	703	.....	.....	703
Totals	363,975	56,402	36,072	1,011	457,460

Account of the Number of Loads of Material Collected from Jan. 31, 1892,
to Feb. 1, 1897.

YEARS.	Ashes.	Offal.	Total loads.
1892	303,878	46,343	350,221
1893	320,571	51,415	371,986
1894	326,798	50,637	377,435
1895	336,886	51,327	388,213
1896	¹ 363,975	² 56,402	420,377

¹ Dennis O'Sullivan, West South Boston, collected..... 2,402 Loads
 William F. Hedrington, East Boston, collected..... 11,112 "
 John H. McShane, North Dorchester, collected..... 13,447 "
 John H. McShane, South Dorchester, collected..... 9,652 "
 Matthew E. Nawn, part of West Roxbury, collected .. 3,964 "
 40,577 "

² Thomas Mulligan, East Boston, collected..... 3,786 Loads
 David B. Morrill, Brighton, collected..... 1,362 "
 John McShane, Dorchester, collected..... 4,707 "
 George T. Barnes, part of West Roxbury, collected..... 703 "
 10,558 "

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Material Collected, Cost of Hired Teams, including Contracts.

	NUMBER OF LOADS.			AMOUNT EXPENDED.		
	Ashes.	Offal.	Total.	Ashes.	Offal.	Total.
South Yard.....	35,009	596	35,605	\$23,898 24	\$842 50	\$24,740 74
West Yard.....	18,910	5	18,915	11,791 00	12 50	11,803 50
Roxbury Yard.....	22,971	1,043	24,014	15,811 00	2,367 50	18,178 50
Charlestown Yard.....	2,353	317	2,670	1,760 00	696 50	2,456 50
Brighton Yard.....	5,606	7 1,362	6,968	3,502 50	2,000 00	5,502 50
South Boston, Yard.....	11,404	79	11,483	5,644 50	297 50	5,942 00
South Boston, east of Dorchester st., O'Sullivan contract.....	2 2,402	.....	2,402	1,496 25	.....	1,496 25
West Roxbury by Roxbury Yard.....	5,106	475	5,581	3,417 50	1,072 50	4,490 00
West Roxbury, south of Pond and Morton sts., ashes, M. E. Nawn; offal, George Barnes.....	5 3,964	8 703	4,667	1,700 00	1,488 00	3,188 00
East Boston, ashes, W. F. Hedrington; offal, T. Mulligan.....	1 11,112	6 3,786	14,898	7,400 00	8,000 00	15,400 00
Dorchester, ashes, south of Park, School and Harvard sts., John McShane.....	4 9,652	.....	9,652	3,985 00	.....	3,985 00
Dorchester, ashes, north of Park, School and Harvard sts., John McShane.....	3 13,447	.....	13,447	4,387 50	.....	4,387 50
Dorchester, offal, John McShane.....	.....	9 4,707	4,707	.....	7,500 00	7,500 00
	141,936	13,073	155,009	\$84,793 49	\$24,277 00	\$109,070 49

CONTRACTS.

<i>Ashes.</i>		<i>Offal.</i>
¹ Hedrington.....	\$7,300 00	⁶ Mulligan..... \$8,000 00
² O'Sullivan.....	5,985 00	⁷ Morrill..... 2,000 00
³ McShane.....	4,237 50	⁸ Barnes..... 1,488 00
⁴ McShane.....	3,885 00	⁹ McShane..... 7,500 00
⁵ Nawn.....	1,700 00	

DIVISION OF AMOUNT EXPENDED.

	Hired Teams.	Contractors.	Total.
Ashes.....	\$65,824 74	\$18,968 75	\$84,793 49
Offal.....	5,289 00	18,988 00	24,277 00
Total.....	\$71,113 74	\$37,956 75	\$109,070 49

Contracts.

OBJECT.	Contractor.	Price.	CONTRACT.	
			Commences.	Ends.
Removal of ashes, West, South Boston.....	D. O'Sullivan.....	\$5,985 00	March 1, 1894.	March 1, 1896.
" " " South Dorchester	J. McShane.....	3,885 00	April 15, 1895.	April 15, 1897.
" " " North Dorchester	"	4,387 50	March 1, 1896.	March 1, 1898.
" " " part of West Roxbury.....	M. E. Nawn	1,700 00	April 15, 1895.	April 15, 1897.
" " " East Boston.....	W. F. Hedington	7,400 00	1 Feb. 1, 1896.	Feb. 1, 1898.
" " " house-offal, East Boston.....	T. Mulligan	8,000 00	Jan. 1, 1896.	Jan. 1, 1899.
" " " West Roxbury	G. T. Barnes	1,488 00	April 1, 1895.	April 1, 1898.
" " " Dorchester.....	J. McShane.....	7,500 00	April 11, 1895.	April 11, 1897.
" " " Brighton.....	D. B. Morrill	2,000 00	May 1, 1895.	May 1, 1898.

¹ Feb. 1, 1896, to July 1, 1896.

July 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1898.

Material Sold by Contract.

Object.	Contractor.	Price.	Payments made to City Collector.
Manure of horses at South Yard.....	{ Wynan Bros.....	\$4.00 a horse per year.	\$88 50
" " " West and Charlestown Yards.....	{ G. A. Safford.....	2.00 " " "	170 67
" " " " Highland Yard.....	{ George P. Winn.....	2.00 " " "	269 18
" " " " " "	{ J. A. Badlong & Son.....	1.00 " " "	63 25

DIVISION REPAIR-SHOPS.

Located at the South End yards, situated at No. 650 Albany street. At these shops all of the repairs on carriages, carts, wagons, etc., are made, together with the painting of the same; all harnesses are repaired and many made, and a portion of the horseshoeing done.

The mechanics in these shops are engaged also in making repairs on the vehicles, etc., sent by the different divisions of the Street Department; all street signs are painted for the Paving Division, and a certain amount of the horseshoeing is done for the several divisions.

WHEELWRIGHT AND BLACKSMITHS' SHOPS.

Cost to maintain during the past year, the sum of \$11,650.29 of which amount \$6,461.77 was expended for labor, and \$5,188.52 for stock. The carts, wagons and other vehicles of the division were properly overhauled, when in need of repairs, and the entire lot of ash and offal sleds were put in proper working order. Of the above amount expended in maintaining these shops, the following amounts were charged off to the several divisions, and others for repairing, altering and putting in good condition their carts, wagons, watering-carts, sleds, etc.:—

Paving Division	\$1,813 32
Sewer Division	660 62
Street Cleaning Division	372 04
Bridge Division	279 70
Street Watering Division	168 75
Ferry Division	50 00
Central Office	123 14
County of Suffolk	169 69
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	<u>\$3,637 26</u>

This leaves a net cost of \$8,013.03 for the repairs and construction of all work of this character for the Sanitary Division.

There are employed in these shops three wheelwrights, four blacksmiths and three helpers.

PAINT SHOP.

Cost to maintain \$6,274.42 of which amount \$5,008.64 was expended on labor and \$1,265.78 on stock. The work done by this shop was the painting and lettering of that which was either built or repaired in the wheelwright and blacksmiths' shops, together with 1,170 different styled signs that were painted for the Paving Division. Of the above amount expended for maintaining this shop, the following amounts were paid by the several divisions of the department for painting carts, wagons, buggies, signs, etc.:—

Paving Division	\$1,617 78
Sewer Division	238 82
Street Cleaning Division	542 50
Bridge Division	82 45
Street Watering Division	214 86
Central Office	52 70
County of Suffolk	140 47
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	<u>\$2,889 58</u>

Leaving the balance \$3,384.84, as the cost of this work for the Sanitary Division.

This shop employs four painters and three helpers.

HARNESS SHOP.

Cost to maintain, \$5,246.71, of which amount \$3,028.00 was expended for labor and \$2,218.71 on stock; part of the work sent to the blacksmith and wheelwright shops was always repaired here, such as Goddard and Concord buggies, leather seats to wagons, etc., together with all the new pieces of harness made for the several divisions. The entire lot of old and new harness owned by the Sanitary Division has during the year been overhauled, repaired and oiled at this shop. Of the above amount paid out for maintaining this shop, the amounts charged to the several divisions of the department for work done were as follows:—

Paving Division	\$286 96
Sewer Division	415 24
Street Cleaning Division	430 51
Bridge Division	38 47
Street Watering Division	8 37
Central Office	29 14
County of Suffolk	38 96
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	<u>\$1,247 65</u>

Leaving balance, \$3,999.06, as the net cost of work done for the Sanitary Division.

This shop employs four harness-makers and helpers.

HORSESHOEING SHOP.

Cost to maintain during the past year \$6,052.18, of which amount \$4,421.96 was expended for labor, and \$1,630.22 for stock. All of the horses at the South yard, together with the Street Cleaning Division horses stabled there, as also some of the horses located in the different stables of this Division, and of other divisions of this department, are shod at this shop, and for which the several divisions were charged the following amounts:—

Paving Division	\$195 71
Sewer Division	442 68
Street Cleaning Division	1,541 55
Street Watering Division	1 60
Central Office	13 75
County of Suffolk	48 75
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	<u>\$2,244 04</u>

Leaving balance of \$3,808.14 as cost to the Sanitary Division for this class of work.

These shops employ six horseshoers and helpers.

Cost of Horseshoeing.

Stock	\$1,630 22	Division Shops.	Outside Shops.
Labor	<u>4,421 96</u>		
		\$6,052 18	\$2,412 37

KINDS AND STYLE.	DIVISIONS.						TOTAL.
	Sanitary.	Street Cleaning.	Sewer.	Paving.	Central Office.	County of Suffolk.	
New shoes	6,528	3,009	1,148	354	63	139	11,241
Bar shoes	146	79	12	9	.....	.....	246
Resets	466	179	91	45	2	2	785
Leathers	1,415	727	233	112	6	40	2,533

Average cost per shoe, 45 cents.

Table showing the Number and Variety of Vehicles, etc., Belonging to the Several Divisions of the Street Department on which Repairs were made at the Shops by the Mechanics of the Sanitary Division.

From Jan. 24, 1896, to Jan. 28, 1897.

DIVISIONS.	Carts.	Half Moon and Iron Carts.	Market Wagons.	Street Watering Carts.	Offal Wagons.	Goddard Buggies.	Box Buggies.	Concord Buggies.	Express Wagons.	Two Seated Wagons.	Two Horse Cess-pool Wagons.	Two Wheel Stone Trucks.	Sweeping Machines.	Prison Vans.	Chutes for Scows.	Diggers.	Sleds.	Sleighs.	Double Runner Pumps.	Tubs for Push Cart Patrol.	Signs Painted.
Sanitary.....	370	2	10	....	168	10	7	28	1	1	....	....	....	....	4	....	47	8	1	....	2
Street Cleaning	27	....	....	8	....	....	....	6	1	....	....	....	15	....	....	....	....	1	....	150	....
Sewer.	1	12	....	....	....	11	6	17	10	....	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	7	3	....	18
Street Watering.....	....	....	....	14	....	....	....	2	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Paving	25	....	....	....	....	6	2	17	5	....	....	4	....	....	....	3	....	4	2	....	1,170
Bridge.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	10	7	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Central Office.....	....	....	....	....	....	8	3	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	1	....	....	....
County of Suffolk.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	4	....	....	....	....	....	....	....
Totals.....	423	14	10	22	168	35	18	80	24	1	3	4	15	4	4	3	47	21	6	150	1,190

Table showing the Number of Articles and the Variety of Work Performed for the Several Divisions of the Street Department at the Harness Shop of the Sanitary Division.

	Sanitary Division.	Street Cleaning Division.	Paving Division.	Sewer Division.	Bridge Division.	Street Watering Division.	Central Office.	County of Suffolk.
Harness and parts of harness repaired.....	450	153	12	73	....	4	6	3
New parts of harness made.....	365	67	2	14	2	2	2	3
New harness made.....	1							
Concord buggies repaired..	17	2	14	13	4			
Goddard buggies repaired..	12	.....	4	5	.....		4	
Box buggies repaired.....	7	.....	3	5	.....		2	
Express wagons repaired...	1	1	4	3	1			
Water carts repaired.....	.....	9	2	.....	.....	1		
Sleighs repaired.....	6	1	4	7	.....		1	
Pungs repaired.....	1	.....	1	3	.....		
Horses numbered.....	223	99	109	96	11	1		
Saddle pads made.....	75	7						
Collar pads made.....	13	2	.....	4				
Sweat collars made.....	34	2						
Poultice boots made.....	8							
Interfering boots made....	2							
Muzzles made.....	1							
Carpet blankets made.....	40							
Blacksmiths' aprons made,	2							
Buffalo robes repaired.....	5	.....	.....	3	.....		1	
Prison wagons repaired....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		.....	2
Covers oiled.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....		.....	4
Carriage washers cut.....	.....	.....	18	20	12			
Whips repaired.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....		1	
Calking boots made.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....		4	
Two-seated democrat repaired.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cushions for office chairs...	5	.....	.....	2	.....		
New strings of bells made..	136							
Shoe-boil boots made.....	3							
New halters made.....	20							
Rubber boots for Concord wagon.....	2	.....	1					
New leather hose made.....	.....	2						
Cushions for water carts, etc.	.....	9						
Blankets repaired and shades covered.....	1	6	.....	14				
Cover for scow cabin.....	1							
Hooks for paint shop covered.....	4							

NUMBER OF SIGNS PAINTED AND DELIVERED SINCE JAN. 22, 1896.

375	Black and Gold,	Street and Ward.
4	" "	White, Street and Ward (sanded).
405	" "	Gold, Street.
38	" "	White, Street.
6	" "	Gold, Street Double Face.
20	" "	" Electric (Shaw's Patent).
25	" "	" Private Way.
198	" "	White, Private Way.
94	" "	" No Passing Through.
6	" "	" No Dumping Allowed.
2	" "	" Large Speedway.
1	" "	" Bridge Closed.
4	" "	" This is not a Public Dump. Police Take Notice (sanded).
3	" "	" No Admittance Except on Business.
1	" "	Gold, Swett street to South Boston.
1	" "	" Massachusetts avenue to Dorchester.
2	" "	" Marlboro street. No Heavy Teaming Allowed through Here.
1	" "	" Large Yard or District.
2	" "	" No Dumping Allowed Here.
1	" "	" No Dumping Allowed. (Sanitary.)
1	" "	" Large Yard or District.

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Table showing the Amounts Paid for the Different Kinds and Character of Work Performed by the Sanitary Division by the several Other Divisions of the Street Department and Others.

	Paving Division.	Sewer Division.	Street Cleaning Division.	Bridge Division.	Street Watering Division.	Ferry Division.	Central Office.	County of Suffolk.	City Engineer.	Totals.
Blacksmith and wheel- wright work.....	\$1,813 32	\$660 62	\$372 04	\$279 71	\$168 75	\$50 00	\$123 14	\$169 69	.....	\$3,637 27
Harness work.....	286 96	415 24	430 51	38 47	8 37	.....	29 14	38 96	.....	1,247 65
Painting.....	1,617 78	238 82	542 50	82 45	214 86	.....	52 70	140 47	.....	2,889 58
Horseshoeing.....	195 71	442 68	1,541 55	.....	1 60	.....	13 75	48 75	.....	2,244 04
Use of dumping boats.....	.....	83 70	4,794 97	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,878 67
Hay and grain, board of horses.....	22 44	38 46	10,210 19	.....	3 20	.....	.....	624 00	.....	10,898 29
Yard and stable, labor.....	.....	.....	3,678 61	.....	.....	.....	.....	416 00	.....	4,094 61
Fuel, lights and water at stables.....	11 22	19 23	926 41	.....	1 61	.....	.....	.....	.....	958 47
Stable stock.....	.....	.....	25 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 75
Hired teams.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	71 00	71 00
Incidentals.....	.....	.....	215 11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	215 11
	\$3,947 43	\$1,898 75	\$22,737 64	\$400 63	\$398 39	\$50 00	\$218 73	\$1,437 87	\$71 00	\$31,160 44

Hay and Grain.

Account of Hay, Grain and Straw Fed Out and Used from Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897.

YARDS.	Bales.	Bushels.	Pounds.	Total Cost.	Cost per Horse per Day.	Lbs. per Horse per Day.	Horses, Divisions: San. Street Cl.
South- yard Stable.	{ Hay.....	2,409	573,761	\$5,287 46	\$.1224582	13 267 5	27,008 13,614
	{ Oats.....	.....	618,144	5,792 56	.14 13248	14 110 3	41,222
	{ Shorts.....	10,317	14,460	119 66	.1 13248	1 13248	
	{ Straw.....	426	83,839	807 31	.01 39569	2 139 5	Average per
	{ Corn.....	1,608	90,048	645 56	.01 39569	2 139 5	day.
	{ Carrots.....	.....	4,935	29 61	.00 39569	2 139 5	76
	{ Salt.....	.....	1,890	5 78	.00 39569	2 139 5	38
	{ English Vegetable Food.....	.....	.....	.....	.00 39569	2 139 5	
	{ Totals.....	2,925	1,387,077	\$12,687 94	\$.3032434	33 267 5	
						41 222	
West- yard Stables.	{ Hay.....	2,163	479,915	\$4,411 22	\$.17 3440	18 277 6	14,534 11,212
	{ Oats.....	.....	411,936	3,824 66	.14 13248	16 110 3	25,746
	{ Shorts.....	12,873	5,700	43 75	.00 39569	5 70 0	
	{ Straw.....	334	75,153	696 49	.02 15746	2 336 1	Average per
	{ Corn.....	.....	3,260	19 56	.00 39569	2 336 1	day.
	{ Carrots.....	.....	800	3 00	.00 39569	3 26 0	40
	{ Salt.....	.....	.....	15 00	.00 39569	2 336 1	31
	{ English Vegetable Food.....	1 bbl.	.....	.....	.00 39569	2 336 1	
	{ Totals.....	2,527	976,764	\$9,013 68	\$.35 258	37 765 2	
						25 746	

Hay and Grain. — Continued.
Account of Hay, Grain and Straw Fed out and Used Feb. 1, 1896 to Feb. 1, 1897.

YARDS.	Bales.	Bushels.	Pounds.	Total Cost.	Cost per Horse per Day.	Lbs. per Horse per Day.	Horses. Divisions: San. Street Cl.
Highland-yard Stables.	Hay.....	1,137	258,711	\$2,396 33	\$.1313914	1415322	15,555 1,808
	Oats.....	.....	266,960	2,499 43	.1468015	156515	17,363
	Shorts.....	8,342½	6,600	54 75	.0453	16003	
	Straw.....	.....	44,560	417 70	.0279633	17303	
	Corn.....	214	14,560	113 20	.11320	14560	
	Carrots.....	260	3,160	18 96	.1363	17363	
	Salt.....	.....	90	25	.1363	17363	
	English Vegetable Food.....	1 bbl.	.....	15 00	.15003	17363	Average per day. 5
	Totals.....	1,351	594,641	\$5,515 62	\$.3113303	347399	
		8,602½			17363		
Charlestown-yard Stables.	Hay.....	693	150,098	\$1,465 83	\$.173945	191132	5,347 2,967
	Oats.....	.....	136,000	1,348 50	.163826	162916	8,314
	Shorts.....	4,250	3,700	29 47	.03447	3347	
	Straw.....	.....	19,825	184 33	.023311	23311	
	Corn.....	93	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Carrots.....	.....	1,670	10 02	.1002	1670	Average per day, 8
	Salt.....	.....	.....	7 50	.0311	311	15
	English Vegetable Food.....	½ bbl.	.....	.....	.750	.....
	Totals.....	786	320,293	\$3,045 65	\$.367331	38331	
		4,250			3311		

Hay and Grain. — Concluded.

Account of Hay, Grain and Straw Fed Out and Used from Feb. 1, 1896, to Feb. 1, 1897.

YARD.	Bales.	Bushels.	Pounds.	Total Cost.	Cost per Horse per Day.	Lbs. per Horse per Day.	Horses, Divisions: San. Street Cl.
South Boston Stable.	{ Hay	544	110,112	\$1,006 98	\$.20	2213 88	4,942
	{ Oats .....	.....	73,920	690 25	.13	174 12	
	{ Shorts	2,310	3,060	26 41	.01	306 00	Average per day. 14
	{ Straw	31	6,166	57 06	.01	174 12	
	{ Corn .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	174 12	
	{ Carrots .....	.....	1,550	9 30	.03	155 00	14
	{ Salt .....	.....	140	70	.03	49 12	
	{ English Vegetable Food	4 bbl.	.....	7 50	.03	49 12	
Totals	575	2,310	194,888	\$1,798 20	\$.36	3921 50	

Recapitulation.

MATERIAL.	Pounds.	Cost.	HORSES PER DAY.		Number of Horses Fed.
			Cost.	Fed Out, Pounds.	
Hay	1,581,597	\$14,567 82	\$.14 39 55 84	16 29 29 52	Sanitary Division, 67,986
Oats	1,506,960	14,155 40	.14 39 38 24	15 46 11 56	Street Cleaning Division, 29,601
Shorts	33,720	274 04	.02 37 55 84	2 34 33 99	
Straw	229,483	2,162 89	.02 37 55 84	2 34 33 99	
Corn	104,608	758 76	.07 58 76	1 47 02 17	Average per day:
Carrots	14,575	87 45	.07 58 76	1 47 02 17	Sanitary Division, 188
Salt	2,920	9 73	.07 58 76	3 43 20 7	Street Cleaning Division, 82
English Vegetable Food	3 bbls.	45 00	.07 58 76	3 43 20 7	
Totals	3,473,863	\$32,061 09	\$.32 33 32 57	35 58 31 8	270

67,986 Sanitary horses (average number per day) 188 } at \$.32 33 32 57 = \$22,336.02
 29,601 Street Cleaning horses (average number per day) 82 } = 9,725.07
 97,587 horses (average number per day) 270 } = \$32,061.09

PLANT AND PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF THE SANITARY DIVISION.

South City Stables, Shops and Sheds.

Situated on Albany street, opposite Newton street. The lot belonged to the city before being used for this purpose, and contains 90,780 feet.

The stable and buildings connected therewith are brick. There are also on the premises five wooden sheds, used for storing wagons, etc. The stable is two stories high, with French roof, and has accommodations for 100 horses. Twenty-three horses are kept in sheds. Total original cost, exclusive of land, \$79,089.23.

Connected with stables are blacksmith, wheelwright, painters and harness-makers shops, in which the wagons, carts, harnesses, etc., used by the department, are constructed and kept in repair.

Offal Depot.

Erected in 1864, on the wharf fronting on Albany street, opposite Brookline street, on the other side of the dock from that used by the Paving Division. The lot which the building occupies, and the yard attached to the same contains 39,511 feet, and belonged to the city before being used for this purpose. Total original cost of building, \$18,578.89. This building is used for the deposit of house-offal daily collected in the city carts, and from which it is thence conveyed without the city limits by purchasers.

West Stable and Sheds.

The stable is a brick building, a story and a half high, 128 feet by 50, located on North Grove street, built in 1860, with suitable out-buildings attached to the same. It has accommodations for 83 horses, in stables and sheds. The lot contains about 45,152 square feet.

Highland Stable.

With accommodations for 68 horses, on the old Almshouse lot, Highland street, containing 81,082 square feet. A part of this stable and adjoining lot is used by the Paving Division. There is on this lot a brick stable, which cost \$88,594.13. On this lot is an offal-shed, erected in 1875, at a cost of \$1,160.12.

Charlestown Stable.

With accommodations for 25 horses, is situated on Rutherford avenue; lot contains 17,300 square feet of land; stable built in 1875, cost \$5,083.07; sheds and outbuildings built in 1879.

Fort Hill Wharf.

Containing 21,054 square feet, placed in charge of the Sanitary Division, used as a dumping station for the city's garbage and refuse, and as a landing place for scows, which convey this stuff to sea. There are two dumping-boats, known as the Barney dumping-scows, and these are in continual use for the above purpose, and are towed to sea by the Street Department steam tug boat "Cormorant." The tug boat is also used by the Sewer Division.

A portion of this wharf is used by the Street Cleaning Division as a locker for push patrol-carts, etc.; a part is in charge of the Paving Division, and a portion occupied by a tenant.

Gibson Street Plant.

Containing 42,000 square feet, and situated in Dorchester district, which has been used and occupied by the New England Construction Company for the treatment and disposition of offal, and which is now closed.

Number of Carts and Wagons Collecting House-dirt, Ashes, and Offal.

Offal wagons owned by the Sanitary Division	.	.	.	81	
" " in use " Thomas Mulligan, East Boston	.	.	.	6	
" " " " " David B. Morrill, Brighton	.	.	.	3	
" " " " " John McShane, Dorchester	.	.	.	10	
" " " " " George T. Barnes, West Roxbury	.	.	.	3	
					103
Ash carts owned by the Sanitary Division	.	.	.	172	
" " in use " Wm. F. Hedrington, East Boston	.	.	.	6	
" " " " " M. E. Nawn, West Roxbury	.	.	.	3	
" " " " " John McShane, Dorchester	.	.	.	8	
Market wagons owned by the Sanitary Division	.	.	.	11	
					200
					303

Capacity of Offal-Wagons.

During the fall of 1892, 24 offal-wagons were measured and contents weighed for the purpose of obtaining the capacity of wagons and the weight of offal per cart load. Their capacity averaged $3\frac{3}{4}$ cord feet, or 56.25 cubic feet, and the weight averaged 3,115 lbs. A cord equals 128 cubic feet, or 7,091 lbs. Price per cord for offal, \$4.00.

ORGANIZATION.

1 Deputy Superintendent.	5 feeders.
3 clerks.	7 messengers.
6 foremen.	6 stablemen.
1 captain of scows.	18 yardmen.
11 sub-foremen.	19 dumpers.
14 inspectors.	6 dumping-boat men.
27 mechanics.	210 ash-cart drivers and helpers.
7 tallymen or aids.	140 offal-cart drivers and helpers.
5 watchmen.	

Total, 486 employees.

APPENDIX E.

REPORT OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF
THE SEWER DIVISION.

PROBATE BUILDING, 28 COURT SQUARE,
BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1897.

MR. BENJAMIN W. WELLS, *Superintendent of Streets*:

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit report of expenses, income, and operations of the Sewer Division for the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1897; together with a statement of the present condition of the sewers and the other property in the charge of this division; the work done this year, and what should be done in the near future that the efficiency of the sewerage system of the city of Boston may be improved and maintained in proper condition.

Respectfully yours,

CHARLES R. CUTTER,
Deputy Superintendent.

The Sewer Division has charge of the following work:

1. Construction and maintenance of all sewers and catch-basins.
2. Completion and maintenance of the Main Drainage Works.
3. Construction and maintenance of the channels of Stony brook.
4. Construction and maintenance of street culverts and surface drains.
5. Preparation of plans, and the engineering and supervision required on the construction and maintenance of all work connected with the division.
6. Investigation of complaints in regard to defective sewerage and surface drainage.
7. Granting of permits for all connections to be made with the common sewers, and the custody of bonds filed by drain layers authorized to make such connections.
8. Levying of assessments on estates benefited by the construction of sewers.

ORGANIZATION.

The department is in charge of a deputy, who is also engineer of the Main Drainage Works which are connected with this division.

The engineering of this division is in charge of a chief engineer, who has supervision of the engineering and construction, and he has three assistant engineers in charge of the three divisions of the city; a chief draughtsman, a chief inspector, who has charge of the inspectors on contract and release work.

The chief engineer is held accountable for all work that comes under his supervision, all plans and estimates for new sewers and rebuilding of old sewers, and for all storm or relief sewers, surface drains, street culverts, and the connections between the common sewer and the intercepting system of the city or State.

In preparing these plans or estimates, it is often necessary to make forecasts of probable increases of population for long periods in the future, to avoid on the one hand spending an unnecessary amount of money at the present time, and on the other hand the building of sewers which will prove too small in the immediate future.

On the designing of enlarged channels for surface water, the same principles apply; a forecast of the probable development of the district has to be made for a reasonable period of time to determine the probable flood discharge, for which provision should be made, as this increases largely with the development. The duties of this division are not confined simply to actual work of construction, as the studies that are necessary for future work, or immediate work that money cannot be furnished for at present, have to be worked out in this division. It not only means a study which is different from other cities in this country, but it means a scientific adjustment of the present requirements with those of the future.

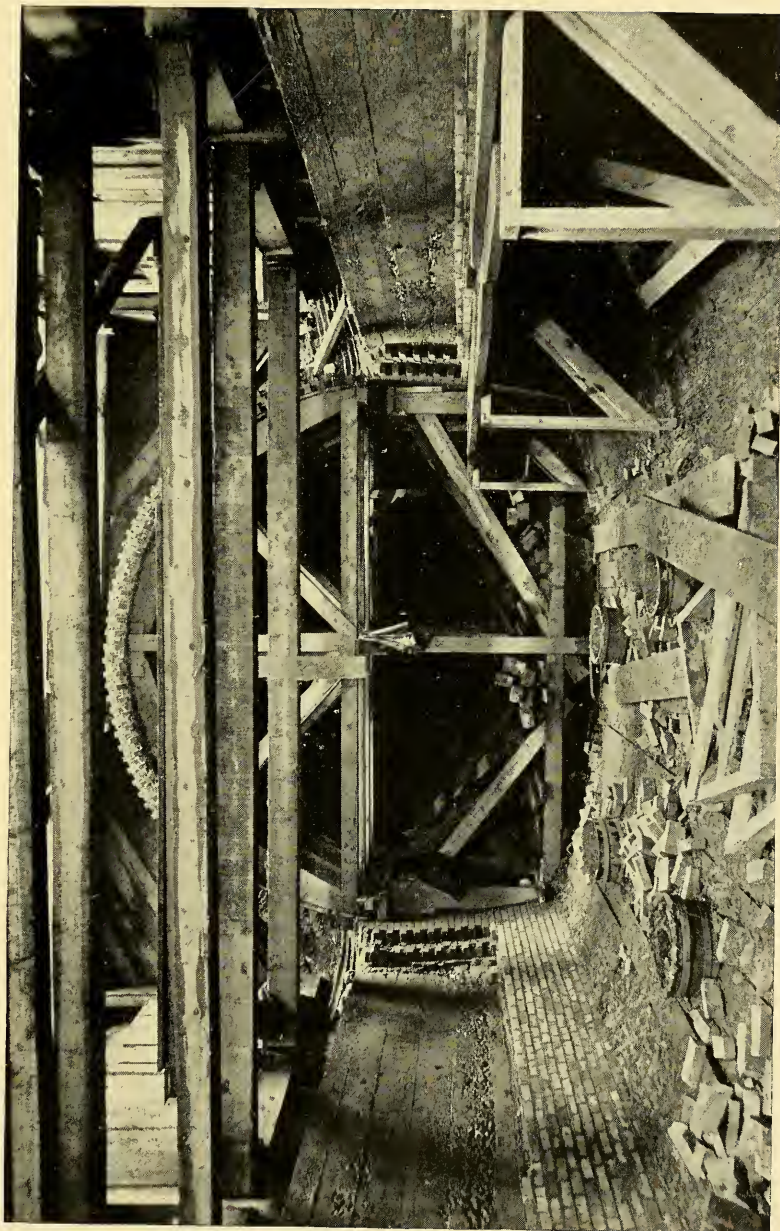
In the low parts of the city the sewers have to be designed for storage purposes during periods of high tides, as on most all the new made land parts of the city the average run of cellars is much below the possible high tides. The average tides of Boston are about grade 10, but at the same time we have to figure on the possible high tides which are apt to go to grade 14, and are known to have gone to grade 15. This makes a very complicated study, and especially in designing the connections with the interceptor, because in case of high tides or floodings the interceptor shuts off, the water discharging through the outlets to the sea.

Also in designing sewers for the new territories which are to be developed, the division does not feel that it would be wise to design large sewers that would accommodate the future indefinitely; but they are designed so that they can be used for twenty or twenty-five years, and the amount of money that would be expended between that and the largest system saved to the city. The interest on this amount would often equal the original cost of the sewer, so that it might be actually cheaper at the end of twenty-five years to destroy the sewer built, and rebuild the size required at that time.

The clerical force is in charge of a chief clerk, who has charge of the finances, making of assessments, the granting of permits, the custody of bonds filed by drain layers, and the making and filing of plans showing the connections that are made of the whole sewerage system and house connections.

The city is divided into seven districts, each district being assigned to a foreman, who has charge of all the construction and maintenance work in his district.

The Main Drainage Works consist of the main sewer from its connection with the Metropolitan system at Gainsboro' street and Huntington avenue to the pumping station at Cow Pasture, the pumping station tunnel across the bay, the tunnel and its connection with the reservoirs at Moon Island, the reservoirs and outfall at this place, together with the regulators, connections, and branch interceptors of the common sewers with this system.



STONY BROOK CONDUIT, COLUMBUS AVENUE.

The care and maintenance of this system is in charge of three foremen, one of whom has charge of the pumping station and work at Cow Pasture, one has charge of the reservoirs and outfalls at Moon Island, and one has charge of the main drain, the gates and connections on the main drain and the interceptors; also of the regulators and connections in East Boston and Charlestown with the North Metropolitan system.

The workings of the Main Drainage System have been under discussion for the last year, as can be seen by the Superintendent's report. The history of the Main Drainage will be found later on in this report.

There is also connected with this division the tow boat "Cormorant," which is used for the towing of sludge from the pumping station at Cow Pasture. When not employed in this work, it does the towing of garbage scows for the Sanitary Division.

Stony brook is in charge of a foreman who looks after the maintenance of the brook. During the present year, during the reconstruction of the channels of Stony brook, we have a separate force under a resident engineer.

There are at present about eight hundred (800) men employed in the Sewer Division. The work of this division for the last year has been very extensive, more men being employed, and more money expended for the construction of sewers than in any previous year in the history of the division.

Owing to the growth of the city, especially the suburban districts, the work of this division has increased rapidly in the last few years, and the demands on the division are more and more; but notwithstanding this it is impossible to obtain the money necessary for the proper maintenance of the division. The City Council does not furnish this division with the proportionate increase of appropriation for maintaining the ever-increasing mileage of sewers; and if the City Council is not able to furnish the necessary money to maintain, clean and flush the sewers and clean the catch-basins, the only remedy is to make the division a self supporting one, provide it with an income, and put it on the same basis as the Water Department.

The following table shows the maintenace appropriation of this division for the past five (5) years:

1892	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$350,000 00
1893	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	350,000 00
1894	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	320,000 00
1895	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	300,000 00
1896	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	280,000 00

Some of the difficulties and problems considered by this division are the following: There is a great deal of trouble in this division on account of sewer assessments, as it is very hard to convince an abutter, who happens to have a trunk sewer constructed in front of his house, and is assessed at perhaps \$2 or \$2.50 per front foot, and receives only the benefit of sewerage for a couple of persons, that there is anything equitable in assessing the estate at this rate, when another abutter on a side street where only a pipe sewer is built, is only assessed perhaps \$1.15 or \$1.25 per front foot, and yet furnished with drainage for ten or a dozen persons. This is a hard problem to solve, but the city of Boston in the last fifty years

has tried all conceivable laws for assessment, both by area and front foot, yet none have been found to be satisfactory.

The question of surface drainage in the outlying districts: The surface drainage of Boston is in such a condition, in the outlying districts, especially, that it became a problem for extensive study during the past year. This subject will be discussed later on.

The need of proper ventilation of the sewers. An article on this subject will be found later on.

The legal grade of cellars: The building laws of the city of Boston give a man the right to build his cellar at grade 12, when the tide frequently rises above this. No cellar should be built in Boston lower than grade 14.

The grade of sewers in the residential portions of the city: The sewers are hardly ever built lower than eight or nine feet from the surface of the street. This will furnish all proper drainage for the common run of cellars; but as the residential portions of the city change to the business portion, the cellars are put in deeper, and there is no law to stop it, and then the parties apply for a low-grade sewer. In reconstructing these sewers to fit the low grade, generally twenty or thirty estates are passed, and the parties receiving no actual benefit are assessed, and they generally object to paying for the benefit of some individual above them. I think there should be a law fixing the legal depth of cellars below the grade of the street in front of the premises, and when cellars are put in at a greater depth than that prescribed by law, and the sewer is rebuilt to accommodate these low cellars, it should be paid for by the parties benefited.

The work that is done by drain-layers: The aim of this division has been to build tight sewers for house drainage, so as to prevent ground water from finding its way into the sewer system and increasing the volume of pumpage; generally these sewers run in the centre of the street. A party applies for a house-connection which may be anywhere from twenty to forty feet in length. The house-connection is put in by a drain-layer, over whom this division has no control except in making the connection where it joins the sewer. Of course, everybody is anxious to put it in as cheaply as possible, and in doing this they are very apt to put in a leaky connection. I think that this division ought to make all connections up to the house, charging the individual for so doing.

In connection with the above, we should have the right to compel stables, factories, or other parties that use a sewer, and use material and matter that is detrimental to the sewers, to put in catch-basins or settling-tanks to settle this *débris* before it enters our sewers.

This division should have the right to have inspectors enter buildings and inspect the quality of the sewage that they discharge into our sewers.

During the last year the City Council authorized a number of loans for sewer construction, thereby enabling this division to proceed with work that had been contemplated for a long time as follows: The starting of the Canal-street sewer system, which is going to relieve the North End; the Shamrock-street outlets, which will relieve the interceptor at this point and prevent the flooding of cellars in this neighborhood.

The large outlet which discharges into the South bay, known as the B and Seventh-streets outlet, and is the beginning of the relief



STONY BROOK CONDUIT—SHOWING ROCK EXCAVATION NEAR
HOG BRIDGE.

for the sewer system of the lower end of South Boston. In conjunction with this it will be necessary for the government to provide money to extend this system up Dorchester avenue, from B to Dorchester streets. This, with the building of the sewers in D, Dorr, Dexter, and Ellery streets, will furnish relief for this neighborhood; the Guild row relief sewer and the rebuilding of the Dorchester brook from Norfolk avenue to George street.

The pumping-plant, known as the Lyons-street pumping station, is now in working order. This furnishes relief for what is known as the Lauriat-avenue and Forest-avenue system of sewers, and it enables the people in this district to get proper drainage.

Connections with the Metropolitan system in Charlestown and East Boston.

The overflow on Congress street, from Atlantic avenue to the Fort Point channel, has been constructed to take the place of the old Pearl-street overflow, which was cut off by the filling in of Russia wharf dock.

SOUTH BOSTON.

The rebuilding of the B and Seventh-streets overflow outlet, now about two-thirds completed, will afford relief to the sewers in a large part of Wards 13 and 14, which, on account of the insufficient size of the outlet, were flooded at every heavy storm. Many of the sewers in the area drained by this outlet are, however, in very poor condition, or of too small size; and those in the following streets should be rebuilt as soon as money can be provided:—

- B street, between Dorchester avenue and Fourth street.
- Gold street, between B and C streets.
- Gold street, between C and D streets.
- Silver street, between C and D streets.
- Silver street, between B and C streets.
- Silver street, between Dorchester and G streets.
- West Fourth street, between C and E streets.
- West Fifth street, between B and F streets.
- West Sixth street, between B and D streets.
- West Seventh street, between B and D streets.
- West Eighth street, between D and E streets.

The sewers in the following streets are also in very poor condition, and liable to cause trouble at any time:—

- Athens street, between E and Dorchester streets.
- Bolton street, between B and D streets.
- Bolton street, between D and E streets.
- Bolton street, between E and Dorchester streets.
- Dove street, between F and Dorchester streets.
- D street, between Second street and Broadway.
- East Fourth street, between Dorchester and E streets.
- East Fourth street, between O and P streets.
- East Second street, between K and L streets.
- East Fifth street, between H and K streets.
- Jenkins street.

A sewer is needed in Dorchester avenue, between B and D streets, and the sewer in Dorchester avenue between D and Dorchester

streets should be rebuilt. This will enable the overflow from D street, and from all sewers draining into Dorchester avenue, north of Dorchester street, to discharge by means of the B and Seventh streets overflow, which was designed large enough for that purpose.

The D-street sewer, which is now in very poor condition between Dorchester avenue and Eighth street, can then be rebuilt in such a manner as to do away with the flooding of the street under the Old Colony Railroad, which occurs whenever heavy rain falls at high tide.

The sewers in Dexter and Ellery streets are in a ruinous state. Complaints are constantly received regarding the condition of these sewers, which have settled and become so distorted that the cleaning rods cannot be pushed through from one manhole to the next. In its present condition the sewer is nothing but an elongated cess-pool. Temporary relief can be obtained by a frequent flushing, but not until the completion of the sewer in Dorchester avenue above mentioned, can any permanent relief be obtained.

The sewer in Mercer street should be rebuilt of a larger size, and thus prevent the flooding of cellars in that locality.

A sewer is badly needed in Dorr street to do away with the nuisance existing in that neighborhood.

The Kemp-street outlet is almost useless in its present state; the arch and side walls having fallen in for several hundred feet. The entire structure should be rebuilt at once, of sufficient size to serve as an overflow for the South Boston Interceptor, which has no proper overflow when the regulator at the main sewer is closed.

It is a question whether it is advisable to build this overflow large enough to act as an outlet for the Dorchester brook sewer, when it becomes necessary to extend the latter, but with our present knowledge of the extent to which South bay will be filled in, it seems at this time unwise to expend the extra amount necessary to make the Kemp-street outlet answer this purpose.

There are many sewers in South Boston where the manholes are so far apart that the cleaning rods cannot reach the entire distance between them; also many cases where there is no manhole at the upper end of the sewer, and therefore no means of flushing in a satisfactory manner. Money should be provided to remedy these defects.

Work done during the year.

Two thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight (2,898) linear feet of sewers were built by the city by day labor; nine hundred and seventy-nine (979) linear feet were built by private parties and released to the city.

EAST BOSTON.

The work of connecting sewers in this district with the Metropolitan sewer system was begun last August, and is being carried on with all possible despatch. The original estimate for the connections with this system was forty-seven thousand dollars (\$47,000), twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000) of which were provided last year. It will be necessary for the City Council to authorize the other twenty-four thousand dollars (\$24,000), so that this work can be carried on with despatch and finished this summer.



KEMP-STREET OUTLET.

The house sewage system of East Boston depends wholly on the Metropolitan sewer system for outlets, and in designing the intercepting system the necessary branches to make the connections with the different drainage areas and their interceptors were not in all cases put in, and there are a number of areas for which, as yet, no provisions have been made.

I wish to call your attention to a few of the defects of the present system.

The interceptor on the west side of East Boston was built at an unnecessarily high elevation, its end at Condor and Meridian streets being at grade 13.2, and as the abutters had a right to build their cellars at grade 12, the existing houses on Meridian street, between Condor street and Chelsea bridge, cannot be drained in a satisfactory manner.

No intercepting sewer has been built by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission to take the outlets at Eagle square and Glendon and Putnam streets, bordering on Chelsea creek. This ought to be constructed immediately for the relief of this district.

On the south side of the island is a considerable area sewerer on the combined system, and draining through the Moore-street outlet. No means have been provided by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission for dealing with the sewage from this area. Money should be provided for building this system of sewers immediately.

The Act under which the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission was created, namely, chapter 439 of the Acts of 1889, states in sect. 3: "Said Board shall construct . . . which systems shall be in substantial accordance with the plans reported and recommended by the State Board of Health in its report to the Legislature of 1889." In the report alluded to, which is Senate Document No. 2, it is stated on page 105 that "Breed's Island and the portions of East Boston north-east of Swift street now have no sewers except in Moore street and a street crossing it. In the whole of this territory it is proposed to exclude storm water from the sewers."

This statement was correct as far as Breed's Island was concerned, but the area drained by Moore-street outlet had at the time this report was made about five thousand (5,000) linear feet of sewers, or about one-third the total amount it will contain when the area is fully developed.

These sewers were all designed on the combined system, and since 1889 all extensions have been made on the same plan. There seems to be no good reason for changing to the separate system, and yet with this area practically under the combined system at the time the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission designed their sewers, they now inform us that we must have separate drainage for our surface water, and that we cannot drain even roof water into their sewers. It seems as though the city and the Commonwealth ought to revise these statements, and compel the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission to provide a branch interceptor for the present system of this district, and all future construction should be on the separate system.

At Orient Heights there is an area of about 300 acres of low-lying territory, to drain which it will be necessary to build a low-level sewer, from twenty to thirty feet deep, and about one and one-half miles in length, extending back to the East Boston pumping station of the Metropolitan sewerage system at Chelsea and Addison streets. This should have been built by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commis-

sion at the time of construction of the main sewer, and they ought to be compelled to build this immediately, so that we could enjoy the benefits of connection with this portion of the Metropolitan system for which we are paying at the present time, or we should receive an abatement on account of not receiving any service for this portion of East Boston. Numerous petitions have been received during the year for sewers in this district, which cannot be built until this low-level sewer is constructed.

At the present time the amount of money paid by the city to the State for pumping the sewage on the North Metropolitan system, is based on population for the maintenance item, and on valuation for the item representing interest and sinking fund; and as we are paying our proportionate part for the whole of East Boston on this basis, you can see by the above statements that we are not being used in a fair manner, as the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission has failed to provide us with the necessary outlets to drain this territory.

The following sewer outlets, which are now in a very dilapidated condition, should be rebuilt. They will be used for storm-water overflows, when the areas which they now drain are connected with the Metropolitan sewer: Jeffries street, Summer street, Putnam street and Porter street. Outlet at Dock 13 should be extended about four hundred and fifty feet.

The Porter-street outlet is in a particularly bad state, and as the open space between the B., R. B. & L. R.R. and the sea wall, about two hundred feet south-westerly, is being filled in, the overflow from this outlet in time of storm will be retained in the basin, formed by the railroad, Wood Island Park, Bremen and Maverick streets. The outlet should be extended to the open water beyond the sea wall.

The time is not far distant when it will be necessary to take some action regarding the drainage of the land owned by the East Boston Company, between Bremen street and the B., R. B. & L. R. R. Company. Streets have been built on this tract for some years and several houses have been erected. Considerable study has been given to developing a proper system of drainage for this tract, and a well-considered scheme has been evolved.

In view of the fact that a large amount of water will be encountered in building these sewers, it would be to the advantage of the city to build them, and assess the cost on the owners of the land rather than to have them built by the owners and released to the city.

A sewer should be built in Chelsea street, between Curtis street and the bridge. This will afford an opportunity to drain Pope, Chaucer and Curtis streets, which are badly in need of sewers. Sewers are also needed in Wordsworth street, between Saratoga and Pope streets, and in Ashley avenue, between Bennington and Breed streets.

Work done during 1896.

Connections have been made with the Metropolitan sewerage system at Meridian street, near Condor, Bremen street, near Porter, and Border street, near Decatur. Twenty-nine hundred and ninety-seven (2,997) linear feet of sewers were built by the city by contract and day labor.

CHARLESTOWN.

The work of connecting the city sewers with the Metropolitan sewerage system has been begun, and is being carried on as rapidly as possible. In order to complete this work during the coming year, nineteen thousand dollars (\$19,000) will be required in addition to the amount now on hand.

The Beacham-street district, bounded by Main and Alford streets, Mystic river and the city of Somerville, should be connected with the Metropolitan sewer system. The existing sewers in this district can be used for storm-water outlets; and pipe sewers, to carry house drainage only, should be laid to connect with the Metropolitan system. About six thousand (6,000) feet of pipe sewers will be required for this; and in those streets where there are at present no sewers, about three thousand (3,000) feet of surface drain will be needed.

Complaints are made every year regarding the backing up of sewage in the Cambridge-street sewer. This is due partly to the small size and flat gradient of the sewer itself and partly to the insufficient size of the outlet in Beach street. The outlet should be built of proper size, and also the sewer as far as the junction of Perkins and Kingston streets.

The sewer in Rutherford avenue, between Dunstable and Beacham streets, is in a very defective state, and requires rebuilding.

During every heavy storm the sewers in the vicinity of Tibbetts townway and Rutherford avenue have given trouble. This is caused by the fact that the Rutherford-avenue outlet is too small, and the sewers in Tibbetts townway and adjacent streets are not only too small but are in a tumble-down condition. The trouble can be partially remedied by rebuilding the sewers in Tibbetts townway, Lyndeboro' and Middlesex streets, and a part of Essex street. A complete removal of the trouble will necessitate building a large storm-water outlet, parallel with the present Rutherford-avenue outlet. Estimates of cost for this have been prepared.

There are at present some twenty (20) streets in Charlestown which contain about eight thousand (8,000) feet of slate, wood and brick sewers. These were built many years before the annexation of Charlestown and are of a type long since condemned by experts in sewer design. Money should be provided for replacing these with pipe or brick sewers as may be required.

Work done during 1896.

One thousand and thirty (1,030) linear feet of sewers have been built by the city, and the connections with the Metropolitan system have been made at Alford street and at Chelsea near Vine street, all by day labor.

BRIGHTON.

Sewers have been called for in the tract owned by the Westminster Land Company, south of Union street and east of Chestnut Hill avenue. These streets will drain partly into Commonwealth avenue, at points where at present there are no sewers or surface drains and where the avenue has not yet been constructed to more than one-half its full width. The remainder will drain into Chestnut Hill avenue. This latter part presents some features for consideration.

If we build sewers on the combined system we carry into the existing sewers in time of storm, an amount of water which they are totally unable to carry on account of their insufficient size. If we build on a separate system, connecting the surface drains with the brook, which rises near Union street, we meet with a similar difficulty, since the brook itself is taken into the sewer in Shepard street. The remedy for the latter evil is discussed in another part of this report.

Sewers should be built during the coming season in the streets laid out by the Aberdeen Land Company, between Commonwealth avenue and the town of Brookline. As these drain into a part of the town of Brookline, where the sewers are on a separate system, it will be necessary to design our sewers on the same plan.

Two brooks flow through this territory, which have for part of their lengths been taken into covered channels, and can be used as outlets for the surface water system.

As mentioned in previous reports, a sewer should be built from Buffalo street to Everett street to take the drainage of the stock yards into the Everett street sewer, instead of allowing it to enter the brook as at present.

Work done during 1896.

The sewers and surface drains for the Commonwealth-avenue boulevard have been completed, and the outlet to Lake street is under contract.

House sewers and surface drains have been built in North Harvard street, between the Metropolitan sewer system and the Charles river, and in Holmes avenue, between Harvard avenue and Warren street.

Twenty-two thousand four hundred and sixty-six (22,466) linear feet of sewers and surface drains have been built by the city under contract or by day labor. Two thousand and sixty-nine (2,069) linear feet have been built by private parties.

WEST ROXBURY.

The West Roxbury low level sewer will be completed to Boylston station during the coming year. Estimates have been made for extending it from that point as far as the Hyde Park line. This extension is very necessary in order to obtain drainage for a number of streets which are at too low a grade to be accommodated in any other manner.

Sewers are very much needed in the following streets in the Mt. Hope district: Florence, Sycamore, Brook, Sherwood, Ridge and Garden streets and Prospect and Brown avenues. The outlet for these will be through a projected street into the Washington-street sewer, near the junction of South and Washington streets. These sewers are designed on the separate system; the surface water to be taken into the brooks in the vicinity.

The Neponset valley intercepting sewer now being constructed by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission will be nearly, or quite completed during the coming season, and will afford an outlet for the drainage of about sixteen hundred (1,600) acres, lying south of the city of Newton and east of Charles river. As the Neponset valley

sewer is designed to carry only house sewage and will have no overflows it will be necessary to design, on a separate system, all sewers draining into it; and all storm water must be rigidly excluded. This can be easily accomplished, as no sewers are yet built in this area.

As the East Boston and West Roxbury low level sewers will be built with the idea of excluding storm water altogether, an ordinance should be passed, forbidding under heavy penalties, all house owners from entering roof water into the house drains or sewers, and ordering all roof water to be entered into the surface drains. It will of course be necessary for the city to provide surface drains throughout the whole length of the streets for this purpose.

A system of sewers should be begun during the coming season in that part of the district in the neighborhood of Spring street, as a considerable quantity of sewage at present flows into the Spring-street brook, and thence finds its way to Charles river, entering above the points where several cities and towns obtain their water supply.

A system of surface drains will very soon be required for Hewlett and Arundel streets and the vicinity.

Bordering on Hyde Park and bounded on the west by Stony brook reservation, is a tract of about three hundred and sixty (360) acres which drains naturally into Hyde Park.

In the studies made by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission it was intended; to drain about half this area into what is called the Clarendon Hills branch of the Metropolitan system. No provision was made for the remainder; but to drain it in any other way than by means of this branch would put the city of Boston to large unnecessary expense.

A conference was held in January between the Deputy Superintendent of the Sewer Division, the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners and the chairman of the Hyde Park Sewer Commission regarding the advisability of building this branch at an early date; but no definite agreement was made. It appears to be the intention of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission to leave this branch to be built by the town of Hyde Park, and as that part of the town is not developed to any great extent there will be no necessity to build a sewer there for some time to come. As, however, the area lying in Boston is partially developed, and has one school-house, accommodating some 500 scholars, it would seem that means for connecting with the Metropolitan system should be provided by the building of this branch under the supervision of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission; otherwise, if the area is not drained until the building of this branch is necessitated by the requirements of Hyde Park or until the high level sewer, so called, is built, the residents of this part of West Roxbury cannot have proper drainage for a period of at least four years, and probably more.

Work done during 1896.

Fifteen thousand nine hundred and thirty-six (15,936) linear feet of sewers, surface drains and culverts were built by the city by contract and day labor, and ten thousand two hundred and forty-two (10,242) linear feet of sewers and surface drains were built by private parties and released to the city.

DORCHESTER.

In discussing the drainage of Dorchester there are several considerations to be taken into account, both of the natural formation of the territory, and of the history of the work that has been already done.

As regards the natural formation of the territory, the district is now made up of valleys, gently rising from the surface of Dorchester bay and the Neponset river, for a large part of the way and at the upper end rising more abruptly to the dividing ridges eighty and one hundred feet above tide water.

The western third of the district, however, is peculiar in this respect, in that it forms the head waters of a branch of Stony brook, draining naturally in a westerly direction by Forest Hills and Jamaica Plain to Old Roxbury and the Back Bay.

The ground on these head waters of Stony brook is swampy, and about fifty feet above tide water. Owing to the great distance to be traversed in following down the natural but sluggish slope of Stony brook, and owing to the fact that the territory to be traversed in that direction is almost unsettled, and not calling for any drainage at present, it becomes almost necessary to carry the drainage of both house and surface water easterly through the dividing ridge into Dorchester bay.

As to the history of what has been already done :

When Dorchester was annexed, twenty-five years ago, it was practically entirely destitute of any system of sewerage, although parts of it were as thickly settled and as long inhabited, as were many parts of the older Boston (including Roxbury), which had been sewerred for a generation or more.

With the small appropriations available for a remote suburb, it became necessary to spread comparatively little money over a large area. Probably the only solution practicable was the one of building a combined system of sewers, capable, in addition to the house sewage, of taking a considerable amount of storm water, say perhaps on an average not far from one-tenth of the expected rainfall.

This system worked very well in the infancy of things, and has continued to work fairly well in most places up to the present time. But the growth of this suburb has been so rapid of late years, the number of new streets laid out so large, and the standard of street comfort held by the average citizens so much elevated, that it is evident that such a system cannot be continued indefinitely in the future; in fact, that the time has already come in many places when a change must be made.

Each suburb now vies with its neighbor for the cleanest and smoothest streets, and the quickest removal of surface water during storms. The number of catch-basins has greatly increased; and while this does not mean that more rain will fall on a given territory than before, it means that more of it must find its way to the sewers, when formerly it spread itself over unsettled territory and vacant lots.

To illustrate how inadequate the old sewers in Dorchester must be to carry off all the storm water (an inadequacy which they share generally with combined sewers as built in most cities and towns of this and other countries) I will give a few specimen figures as to the probable rainfall to be expected in several localities in Dorchester, and also of the amounts capable of being handled by the existing combined sewers.

DORCHESTER.

NAME OF SEWER.	Demand at 1-3 inch Rainfall cubic feet per sec.	Demand at 2-3 inch Rainfall cubic feet per sec.	Demand at 1-inch Rainfall cubic feet per sec.	Present Capacity cubic feet per sec.
<i>Crescent-avenue Sewer.</i>				
Spring Garden street			57	11
Improved sewer ..			60	10
<i>Pleasant Street, Glover's Corner, and Hancock-street Sewer.</i>				
Dorchester avenue, at Creek street...			75	37
Dorchester avenue, where it empties..			216	49
<i>Shamrock-street Sewer.</i>				
Dorchester avenue, at Linden street ..			24	6
Adams street, at Dorchester avenue ..			39	23
Dorchester ave., at Shamrock street ..			48	31
<i>Talbot-avenue Sewer and Outlet.</i>				
Blue Hill avenue	97	193	290	31
Bernard street ¹	108	216	324	20
Washington street	292	584	876	25
<i>Centre-street Sewer.</i>				
Shawmut Branch Railroad	317	633	950	41
Centre street, at Dorchester avenue...	330	660	990	15
Dorchester avenue, at Centre street...	331	662	994	47
Dorchester avenue, at Dix street	338	676	1,014	59
Dorchester avenue and Gibson street..	416	832	1,248	36
Gibson street, at Adams street	476	952	1,428	34
Adams street, at Park street	476	952	1,428	30
Park street, at Clayton street	478	956	1,434	30
Clayton street, at Greenwich place....	493	986	1,479	30
<i>Neponset-avenue Sewer.</i>				
Neponset avenue, cor. Taylor street ...	16	32	48	17
<i>Granite-avenue Sewer.</i>				
Minot street	147	294	441	15
Milton branch	156	312	468	25

It will be seen from these figures that the limit of availability of the existing sewers for storm water would be very soon reached, if indeed it has not already in many cases been exceeded.

¹ Below Washington street the areas include the whole of that part of the Stony-brook valley draining into Talbot avenue.

There would be practically two remedies for this state of things. One would be to rebuild, at an immense increase of size, and at great inconvenience, the present combined system; making it large enough to take all the storm water of the future.

There are many reasons why this cannot well be done.

One is that the cellars or the private drains from them are generally quite near the level of the existing sewers; consequently, if the size of the sewers was to be doubled or quadrupled, or even more, the new sewer would have to be sunk entirely below the level of the old one in order to avoid flooding the cellars. This would very much increase the expense.

Another is the general inconvenience to, and partial interruption of, the old house service, while rebuilding it anew.

A third is (now that all house sewage is intercepted and pumped out to Moon Island) the increased difficulty of separating the storm water and house sewage in time of flood, leading to pollution at the overflows, even with costly and cumbrous appliances for its attempted prevention.

For these, and many other reasons of a professional nature, it is considered impracticable to enlarge the present combined systems for the wants of the future; and recourse must be had to a separate system of storm sewers, or as they may be better called, surface drains.

It will be seen from the preceding table that the existing sewers will accommodate but a relatively small percentage of the surface water; probably generally not more than five per cent to fifty per cent, or an average of twenty-five per cent.

The capacity of the existing sewers can of course be very closely calculated by well approved methods; for the purpose of this report, however, they have been hastily taken at an approximate value.

The amounts of storm water coming from each district, on the other hand, can never be absolutely calculated in advance. It may be known how many inches of rain have fallen on a given territory in the largest storm of which we have any record; but this division can never be sure that it would not be exceeded by some future storm. The exceptional "great" storms which do such great damage occur twice or three times in a century.

Even if this division was sure of the maximum future amount of rainfall there would be no means of absolutely deciding how much of this will reach the mouth of a sewer or surface drain in any given time; this depending on the slope, roughness, and other qualities of the ground. Various observations have been taken to try and determine the effect of these various factors; the conclusions reached by the Swiss engineer, Bourkli-Zeigler, have met with wide acceptance. His estimate of the percentage of rainfall reaching any one point at one time varies from ninety-five per cent on small tracts of a few acres, with a sharp slope, to ten per cent on level tracts of several square miles. His estimates for tracts of medium size and slope, such as we find in Dorchester, would vary from thirty to sixty per cent, usually we might say about fifty per cent.

As the rainfall for short periods is at the rate of as much as from two to three inches an hour, it does not seem extravagant to use an inch of rain per acre per hour as the maximum for computing the sizes of surface drains.

It happens, curiously enough, that one inch of rainfall per hour gives almost exactly one cubic foot per second per acre, which is the maximum used in the foregoing table.

It would seem, therefore, that beside the advantage of cutting off all the sewage from the shores of the harbor, which now runs on to them during storms, that we must inevitably be driven to the use of surface drains for the water from the catch-basins, because the existing combined sewers are only adequate to take one-tenth, one-fifth, or one-half of it, as the case may be.

It has always been considered a part of the scheme for intercepting the sewers of Boston that a "high-level" sewer would be built, which would intercept the sewage from the high streets in the interior of the suburbs, and carry it direct by gravity to Moon Island, without the expense of pumping it up.

The engineers of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission have made a study for such a sewer for Dorchester, which would include about 950 acres of the west part of Dorchester, or about one-third of the whole district.

Of course, it would be essential to the working of such a sewer (the size of which must be quite limited) that the house-sewage must be separated from the rain-water. This separation would be physically possible by means of overflows into the brooks, but in order to avoid all possibility of nuisance, it would seem to be better that a new set of surface drains should be made, to take the water from any catch-basins that now go into the combined sewers, and that all new sewers within this high-level district should be built on the separate principle.

The system, then, which is looked forward to for Dorchester is a separate system of surface drains, large enough to take all of the storm-water that experience and theory combined lead us to expect from the areas they serve. The existing sewers to be retained for house-sewage, and also for such moderate quantities of storm-water as they can easily carry, and will serve to keep them clean.

All new sewers for house drainage in this way will be constructed of small pipes, usually of ten, twelve, or fifteen inches in diameter. The surface drains would often have to be of brick or concrete, often ranging from two to five feet in diameter, and even larger in exceptional cases, and near tide water.

The surface drainage problem for Dorchester will be found fully discussed in the article on Surface Drainage.

The subject of new house sewers for immediate use in Dorchester is a very complicated one. The district has grown so rapidly that the division has not been able to furnish the amount of sewers that have been called for, so that the vicious system of allowing the abutter to build release sewers has been carried on to quite an extent in this district. This, in my opinion, is a bad system, which will be discussed later on.

To take up some cases where house sewers are required, in geographical order from north to south, the first case is an outlet from Wesley and Savin Hill avenues on the north side of Savin Hill. This has been petitioned for for several years, and is much needed to remedy unsanitary conditions, and to complete the drainage of that whole district, which is otherwise well supplied.

Another case of house sewers needed at the present moment is that of those in what is called the Forest-avenue district; in streets which

have been long settled, and suffering for want of sewers, but which it has only been possible to sewer properly since the completion of the Lyons-street pumping station. These streets, embracing Morton, Selden, Fuller, Capen, Evans, Maxwell, Corbett, Nelson and other streets in that immediate neighborhood, should be sewered as soon as practicable during the coming season, as it has long been a pressing necessity.

The pumping station at Lyons street has been designed with a liberal factor of safety, so as to be capable of pumping up, not only the legitimate amount of house sewage due to the future probable number of inhabitants, but also a moderate amount of leakage, or of other storm water accidentally finding its way into the house sewers. But for an outlet it has to depend at present on the old sewer in Talbot avenue, which was not designed to meet any such emergency, and which would prove of much too limited capacity in case the amount pumped at Lyons street should seriously increase. I would state that this plant at Lyons street is only designed for a temporary relief, as eventually the only remedy for this district will be the construction of a large tunnel sewer through the dividing ridge to Dorchester bay, allowing the sewage to flow by gravity to the Dorchester Interceptor.

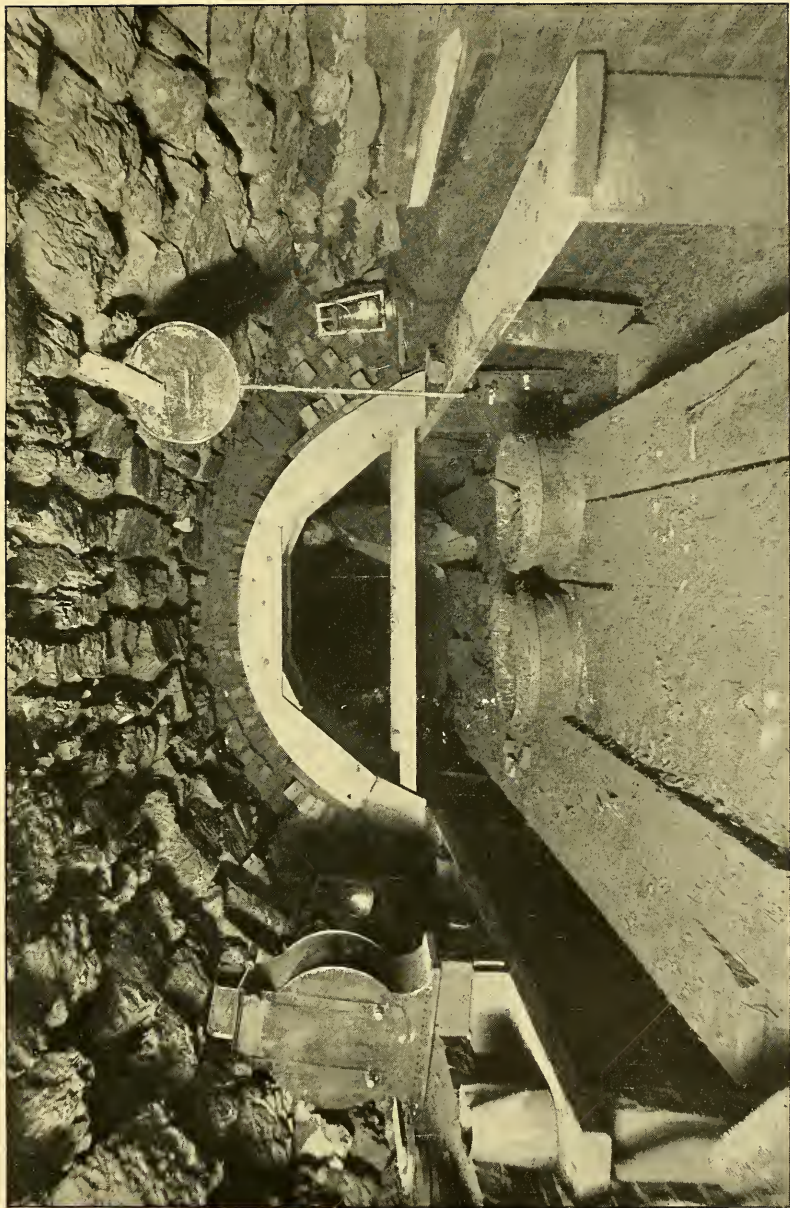
Work done during 1896.

Forty-three thousand four hundred and fifty-three (43,453) linear feet of sewers and surface drains were built by the city by contract and day labor; and thirteen thousand six hundred and twenty-eight (13,628) linear feet by private parties and released to the city.

ROXBURY.

If the scheme to fill in the South bay is carried out as contemplated, it will be necessary to extend the Dorchester-brook sewer. The route for the extension of this sewer is not as yet decided, as much depends upon when and how much of the bay is filled. If it is filled as far as Dover street, it would be better to run the sewer to Kemp street, South Boston, where it will join a proposed overflow sewer for that district, of almost equal size as itself, and from that point a sewer large enough to take the flow of both sewers will be carried to Dorchester bay. This route may be adopted even if the filling is only carried as far as the present Harbor Commissioners' line. The expense of this work, on account of its great size, makes it necessary to give this subject careful study, and it is also necessary to have a better understanding of what is to be done by the parties owning the territory before adopting a route for this sewer.

The district bounded by Swett street, Dorchester brook, Norfolk avenue and Gerard street, is one of the low districts in which (if the combined system of sewers is built) there is going to be the same old trouble about flooding. The few sewers that are now built, which have been started on the combined plan, can be converted into surface drains. Few houses are built and connected with the sewers, but as streets have recently been laid out and built through this territory, more houses will be built and more sewers called for. As the main interceptor runs through this district, it is easily reached with house sewers from all parts of the district. The sewer in Magazine street, which is situated in this district, is still



STONY BROOK CHANNELS, UNDER HUNTINGTON AVENUE, SHOWING METHOD OF STRENGTHENING.

discharging sewage on the flats at Massachusetts avenue. This state of things must continue until a sewer is built to the Dorchester-brook sewer. If the above suggestion for the district is to be carried out, a pipe connection could be made with the interceptor at Massachusetts avenue, and an overflow sewer built in Massachusetts avenue to the Dorchester-brook sewer, connecting below the tide gates. This will be the surface drain when the system is completed.

This is comparatively a new district. After the experience this division has had it seems unwise to keep on building a system of sewers (because the first cost is cheaper) that is almost sure to cause trouble in storms, to say nothing of forever pumping the surface water.

The sewers in Yeoman, Chadwick, Hampden and Albany streets are in the same condition as mentioned in former reports. These sewers are on the combined system, in a district the topography of which makes the small size of the sewers in the low land more evident. The sewers in the high land, on account of their steep grades, rapidly discharge the rain water into the sewers of the low land. If the tide is up during a severe rain, the sewers in the low land are immediately filled, and on account of the great amount of water from the high lands, are often filled above the level of the tide before it can escape.

One remedy for the trouble is to rebuild the old sewers to a larger size, or to build new sewers along the side of the present sewers, old and new sewers combined to have the desired capacity.

The other remedy is to run a pipe sewer from the interceptor in Massachusetts avenue to drain the cellars in the low district, the present sewers to carry the storm water of the low land, and both storm water and sewage of the high land. This would be an ideal system for the district, one from which absolute freedom from flooding would be insured, but, on account of the great expense, may not be adopted.

The sewers in Parker street, between Westland avenue and Boylston street, in Haviland street, and in passageway north of Haviland street, between Parker street and Massachusetts avenue, should be rebuilt.

The sewer in Boylston street, between the Parkway and Parker street, is badly settled, and should be rebuilt.

Sewers are needed on the sides of Stony brook to take sewage out of the brook between Huntington avenue and Elmwood street, as mentioned in former reports.

The ownership of the Muddy-river conduit was transferred from the Park Department to this division in 1895. This is a wood and concrete affair, 9 feet \times 11 feet, in a dilapidated condition, and if not rebuilt will be in danger of collapsing. As this structure is about 1,600 feet long, and at a grade of one foot below city base, the expense of rebuilding will be large.

An overflow sewer to connect with the Muddy-river conduit is an essential part of the system of sewers, of which the sewer in Vila street is the main. This is not yet built, but will have to be before many sewers receiving surface water can be added to the system.

The sewer in private street, north of Dale street, between Wakulah street and Rockland street, and in Hewes street, has caused a great deal of trouble. This is an ancient structure with plank bottom, stone sides, and brick arch. It is too small for the amount it

has to carry; therefore, at times, running under a head which forces the water out through the sides into the neighboring cellars. To remedy this, it will be necessary to start about 1,100 feet down stream, and rebuild with a larger size and flatter grade as far as Walnut avenue.

About 2,200 feet further up stream is the Sherman-street district, which has been troubled a great deal by the small size of the sewers between Sherman street and Walnut avenue. To relieve this district it will be necessary to continue the proposed new sewer, mentioned above, as far as Warren street. This subject was discussed in the annual report for 1892.

The sewer in Columbus avenue, between Stony brook and the new Dimock street, being about completed, the proposed sewer in Dimock street, Notre Dame street and passageway to Washington street, should be built. The people in this district have been patiently waiting for a long time, and now that means of relief are about to be provided, it should be pushed ahead as rapidly as possible.

The surface drain built in 1895, in Huntington avenue, from Muddy river to Heath street, should be extended up Heath street as far as South Huntington avenue. Parties owning property in that neighborhood are about to build streets and sewers. The city will require sewers on the separate system, and unless the surface drain is carried up Heath street, there will be no outlet available for their surface drains.

The sewers in the Hammond-street district, the condition of which has been noted in former reports, have not yet been rebuilt.

The Harrison-avenue sewer, from Northampton street to Eustis street, which is in a deplorable condition, has been neglected year after year. It is now to be rebuilt, and work will commence at once.

The following is a list of defective sewers requiring rebuilding :

Davenport street, Columbus avenue to Tremont street.

Walpole street, Columbus avenue to Tremont street.

George street, Clarence street to Dorchester brook.

George street, Gerard to Magazine street.

Haskins street, Vernon to Ruggles street.

Orchard street, off Yeoman street.

Winslow street, Palmer to Eustis street.

Marshfield street, Batchelder street to Norfolk avenue.

Hunneman street, Brown street to Harrison avenue.

Newcomb street, Reed street to Harrison avenue.

Lenox street, Sanford place to Harrison avenue.

Halleck street, Ruggles to Ward street.

The district bounded by Centre street, Day street, Parker Hill and Columbus avenue, is made up of a somewhat level country on the south, and the south side of Parker Hill on the north. The trunk sewer for this district is the Old Heath and Minden-street sewer. This sewer is large enough to take care of the level section; but as there are no sewers and catch-basins on the south side of Parker Hill the rain-water rushes down the side of the hill to the sewers in the low land, causing a great deal of flooding. The first step was to put in a relief sewer through Old Heath street. This has been built this year; but the full benefit will not be felt until sewers and basins on the south side of Parker Hill are built.

As the owners have begun to develop the land this year, one new street having been built and a sewer laid there, there is a good prospect for a demand for sewers, which, when built, will end the troubles that have so long existed.

One short piece of sewer should be built immediately between the manhole on Heath street, at Wensley street, and the manhole on new relief sewer at Parker street and Heath street.

The sewers in Shawmut avenue, Roxbury street and Guild row, Burke street, Dorchester brook, Clapp to George street, are under construction by day labor; and the sewers in Ruggles street, Parker street to Back Bay Fens, Vancouver street, Ruggles street to Huntington avenue, Fullerton street, Columbus avenue, Ritchie to Dimock street are under construction by contract.

Work done in 1896.

Twenty-one thousand and eighty-three (21,083) linear feet of sewers and surface drains were built by the city by contract and day labor, and five thousand seven hundred and eighty-eight (5,788) linear feet by private parties and released to the city.

CITY PROPER.

The sewers in the South Cove district are now in a fair way of general overhauling. The final decision of the Boston Terminal Company to build the new Union Station with its tracks over many of the sewers of the district, makes it necessary to commence this work at once. The principal sewers within their taking are the east side interceptor and common sewer in Federal street, and the Mt. Washington avenue and Harvard-street sewers. The two latter, with the Federal-street sewer, below Kneeland street, are the overflow sewers for the storm water of the district. The proposed depressed tracks for suburban traffic are designed at a grade which will cut off these sewers, making it necessary to lower all three sewers from the depressed tracks to their ends at the channel. As this would bring the sewer below low tide, the expense of this work would be very large. Another serious consideration is that the Federal-street sewer, northerly from the depressed tracks, is built of wood, and eventually, though perhaps not for many years, will have to be rebuilt. As this sewer will then lie under many of the tracks, crossing at an acute angle, the work of rebuilding will be an inconvenience to the railroad and an expense to the city well nigh incalculable. It was, no doubt, these considerations that led the Terminal Company to suggest that the intercepting sewer be rebuilt around their station between East and Beach streets; and that the Harvard street, Federal street, and Mt. Washington-avenue overflow sewers be combined in one large sewer to be built in Mt. Washington avenue. All other sewers, regulators, tide-gates, etc., (with the exception of the main interceptor south of Beach street, which they propose to leave intact) lying within their taking, are to be abandoned by the city. The sewer in Federal street, between Kneeland street and Essex street, is to be replaced by a new sewer in the new Cove street, between the same limits.

The changes in the sewer system required by the Terminal Company now offer the opportunity so long delayed, but so much needed,

of completing the design of 1888-89; that is, to give the Beach-street sewer direct or open connection with the interceptor, first shifting the district regulator at Dover street to a point on the interceptor in new Cove street, near Essex street, and building the necessary regulators at Oswego and Kneeland streets. The regulator at Harvard street will not then be needed; that sewer being abandoned south of Harvard street and connected with the Kneeland-street sewer by a sewer through South street.

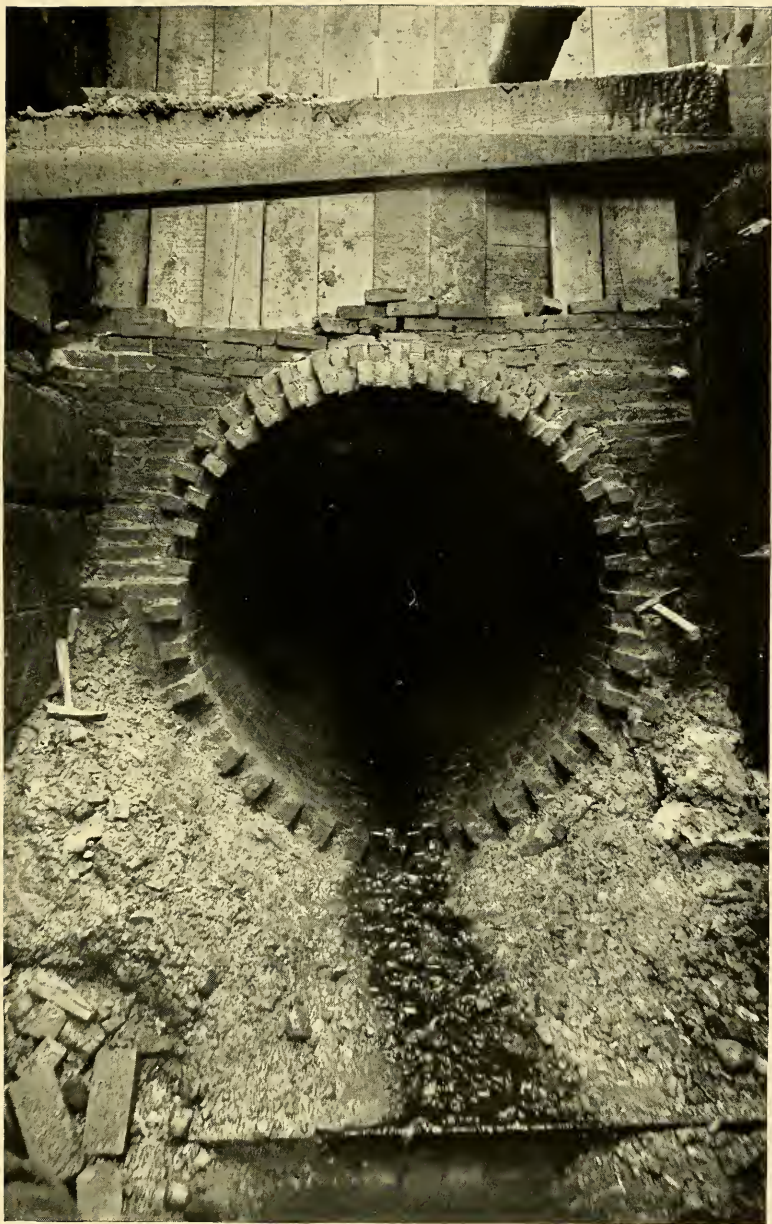
Measurements taken during the heavy rains of January 21, on the interceptor at Beach street, showed a difference of six feet in the level of the water at this point and the water in the interceptor on Massachusetts avenue and Albany street; when the district regulator is shifted the water in the interceptor at Beach street will be lowered several feet during a storm of the severity of that of January 21.

It will be seen at once what an advantage this will be to the Beach-street district, as in all heavy rains the interceptor, being cut off at Dover street, is immediately filled up, and the Beach-street sewer is obliged to discharge against the tide. Moving the regulators from within the taking of the Terminal Company will require the extension of branches from the interceptor to Cove street, at Kneeland street and Beach street. This will be the commencement of what is the only practical solution of the sewerage question for districts situated as this is. The main sewers are chiefly wooden boxes, cut off from the interceptor in heavy rains, therefore filling up to the level of the tide, which has many times risen to grades 13 and 14, while cellars connected with the sewers are legally allowed to be built at grade 12. The result is evident, unless every drain is provided with a back-water trap, and that must not fail to work.

The branches of the interceptor mentioned above should be built at such a grade that they can be extended all over the district and converted into house sewers, discharging directly into the interceptor. The old sewers can then be disconnected from the interceptor, and used as surface drains only. This, though the most expensive scheme on the start (it requiring another sewer or, perhaps, surface drain in streets where there are now good sewers on the combined system) will in the end be the cheapest, not only on account of the freedom from danger of flooding and making low land more desirable for business purposes, but also by taking from the pumps, that are now overburdened, all surface water and leakage, discharging it directly into the sea.

Work was started on the rebuilding of the sewers in Tyler street, between Beach and Curve streets, and was completed between Kneeland and Curve streets; the balance between Beach and Kneeland streets has not been rebuilt. Instead of completing this work as designed, on the combined system, the low-level house sewer proposed in Kneeland street at new Union Station, should be continued up Kneeland street, and a branch built up Tyler street, the old sewer then converted into a storm sewer; this to be one of the first steps towards carrying out the system proposed for this district, and could be carried into the Church-street district, giving the relief so much needed in that district.

Work has been started on the Canal-street relief sewer. This is perhaps the most important of the many heirlooms that have been handed down from year to year. The original line for the upper



NEW SEWER IN CENTRAL STREET, CANAL-STREET RELIEF SEWER.

part of this sewer was from Blackstone street, across Haymarket square to Canal street, and through that street to Causeway street. For this work a loan of \$100,000 was asked.

The proposed route of the subway cut through this line at Haymarket square, and the line was shifted to Haverhill and Causeway streets to Canal street. Later when the subway plans were developed, it was found that the structure would occupy so much of Haverhill street that there would be no room for a sewer of the size required, and the lines were again shifted to Charlestown, Beverly and Causeway streets to Canal street; this change will necessarily increase the expense of the work over the cost of the line as originally proposed. To commence this work a loan of \$25,000 has been made, which will build up the sewer to about State street. This work should not stop at this point; every effort should be made to push it along to its completion.

The excavation for the subway has already cut off the sewer in Haymarket square, and a temporary siphon has been built. The building of the subway has caused the destruction of many of the sewers along its route. In all cases they have been replaced on the sides of the streets in a manner satisfactory to this division, the work being inspected by one of the inspectors of this division.

Large buildings with deep cellars are growing up near the stations of the subway, and wherever practicable the grade of the sewers which the Transit Commission is building, to take the place of the old sewers, destroyed by the building of the subway, has been lowered to give the best drainage possible to these deep cellars. The proposed sewer on the north side of Hanover street, between Portland and Sudbury streets, and the proposed sewer on Tremont row, will be built at grades considerably lower than those proposed by the Transit Commission, which were substantially the same as the grades of the old sewers, but in these cases the Transit Commission has taken the ground that they have no right to build a sewer any better than the old one which it is designed to replace, and, if any additional expense is to be incurred to obtain better drainage, that the Street Department must pay the difference in cost. Although this division does not concur in their view, it has nevertheless agreed to bear the additional expense in the case of the sewers above mentioned.

It was foreseen, previous to the building of the subway on Tremont street, between Pemberton square and Beacon street, that a deep sewer should be built in connection with the work of the subway, on account of the extreme difficulty of ever building it after the subway was completed; and this division used its utmost efforts to induce the Transit Commission to build this sewer at a grade low enough to drain out the deep cellars in this locality by gravity. The Transit Commissioners refused to accede to the request of this division, and the discussion was prolonged to such an extent that the subway was practically completed without the low-grade sewer having been built. This is particularly unfortunate from the fact that there is no other way of approaching those buildings with a low sewer except through Tremont street, on account of the high grade of the land in the rear of these blocks. If a low-grade sewer is ever built in this locality it would be an exceedingly interesting and expensive undertaking. Until such a sewer is built the owners of

these expensive buildings will be compelled to maintain some form of pumping-plant to raise their sewage into the existing sewer, which is quite shallow.

The connections with the interceptor for the Church-street, Dover-street and Dedham-street districts are direct or open connections, the flow of rain water being taken in without regulators. On account of the many floodings in this district this was deemed advisable; but the amount of rain-water to be pumped depends only upon the amount that falls and the height of the tide, and must go on forever under the present system. The present sewers in these districts should be cut off from the interceptor, and converted into storm sewers and small tight house-sewers at a good depth should be connected with the interceptor. This would be a serious undertaking, on account of the amount of money required and the engineering difficulties to be encountered; but when completed, not only would these districts feel the benefit, but other districts situated above the district regulator would also feel the benefit, as from the decrease in the amount of water poured into the east side interceptor, the sewage would not rise to the cut-off line of the regulator nearly so quickly; thus the sewer situated above the district regulator would be helped out. They are now cut off during every hard rain, and fill up to the height of the tide, flooding out cellars.

The surface drainage of the Back Bay should be attended to. The sewers of the Back Bay districts are on the combined system. The trunk sewers, which run in a northerly direction, lie in Berkeley, Dartmouth, Fairfield and Hereford streets. The lateral sewers, running east and west, are in the passageways, thereby making it necessary to have only surface drains in the streets running east and west, and in Arlington, Clarendon, Exeter and Gloucester streets, running north and south. It was stated last year that to complete the surface drainage of the Back Bay would require 133 catch-basins and about 7,000 linear feet pipe surface drains or sewers.

The result will be a very complete surface system; but in all cases the storm water would still be drained into a combined system of sewers. The combined system is the cheapest of all sewer systems to construct, and for a district in which the cellars are at or above grade 15 is a very good system, as far as the danger of flooding cellars is concerned; but for this, in which the cellars are about grade 12, it seems to be only a matter of favorable circumstances when every cellar may be flooded, for when the storm water has raised the level of the water in the interceptor to a certain height, the regulators on the above-mentioned four trunk sewers, close the connections with the interceptor, and the storm water in the trunk and lateral sewers must rise to a height above the level of the tide before it can force open the tide gates and escape to the sea. The predicted tides for 1897 show, in a number of cases, that the tide will rise to grade 11.6. In a heavy easterly storm, the tide may be forced one foot or more higher. The combination of rain storm and high tide has happened, and floodings have occurred, as this division is well aware.

The only way to insure absolute safety for this district is to separate the storm water from the house sewage, and although this would be very expensive, when the value of property that may be destroyed in a flood is considered, it may be advisable to attempt it.

The present trunk sewers are large enough to carry the storm water. They could be converted into storm sewers. Pipe sewers could be built from the interceptor along the side of the present trunk sewers and connected with the present sewers in the passageways, which would then be house sewers. Shallow surface drains could be laid in the passageways, taking the flow from the catch-basins and discharging it into the existing trunk sewers. Similar surface drains could be carried where they do not already exist, up streets that are parallel with the passageways, reaching all parts of the district.

The regulators and connections between the interceptor and trunk sewers could then be removed, and a district regulator placed on the interceptor, just above Brimmer street.

On the water side of Beacon street one hundred and fifty-nine (159) houses and forty-five (45) stables discharge drainage into Charles river. In 1892 a sewer was designed to drain these houses, which was to be built in Back street. The outlet in Hereford street was to run into Beacon street, and, as about that time that part of Beacon street was to be asphalted, it was decided to build the outlet across Beacon street. The work was carried to this point and stopped, as at that time there was a proposition to build a boulevard one hundred (100) feet wide back of the houses. As it would be very much cheaper to build a sewer one hundred feet from the water than to build it against an old sea wall in ground made of clam shells and ashes, and in which tide water rises in many cases as high as the tide itself, it was decided to delay the construction of the sewer until something more definite was learned about the boulevard. As the building of the boulevard seems to be as far in the future as ever, and the houses still drain into the river, I would suggest that the construction of the sewer be no longer delayed.

The sewers in Prince street, between Salem street and Bennet avenue, and in the Eliot school-yard to Tileston street, and in Tileston street, between Salem and Hanover streets, should be rebuilt. This system of sewers is in poor condition, and when rebuilt their grade should be lowered, as the present system is too shallow.

The sewer in Hull street, an old wood, stone and brick affair, should be rebuilt. This sewer was in bad condition in 1892, but on account of the very steep slope on which it is built, and the exceedingly hard nature of the ground in which it is built, it has managed to continue to flow. This sewer is likely to be choked up at any time.

A very large number of sewers in the city proper, especially in the South Cove district, have settled, and are defective. The following list will give an idea of the extent to which the city will be called upon to rebuild sewers in the near future; the rebuilding of a large proportion of these cannot and should not be much longer postponed if the appropriation can possibly be secured, as the cleaning of them is a continual expense.

Brighton street, from Milton to Leverett street.
 Wall street, from Minot to Causeway street.
 Wiget street, from North Margin to Salem street.
 Haverhill street, from Traverse to Causeway street.
 Nashua street, from Minot to Causeway street.
 India street, from Central street to India square.

Milton street, from Brighton to Spring street.
Leverett street, from Causeway to Green street.
Chatham street, from Commercial street to Merchants' row.
Bread street, from India to Broad street.
Stillman street, from Charlestown to Salem street.
Way street, from Harrison avenue to Albany street.
East street, from Cove to Lincoln street.
Edinboro' street, from Essex to Beach street.
South street, from Beach to Kneeland street.
Winchester street, from Church street to Edgerly place.
Appleton street, from Tremont to Berkeley street.
Albany street, from Genesee to Troy street.
Oak street, from Albany to Hudson street.
Warren avenue, from Dartmouth to Clarendon street.
Passageway between Concord street and Worcester square.

St. Charles, Guy, Piedmont, Ferdinand and Kirkland streets are badly settled, and need either partial or complete rebuilding.

Work done during 1896.

The filling in of the dock into which the Pearl-street district sewer overflowed made it necessary to remove the overflow sewer. A sewer was built in Atlantic avenue and Congress street, pitching toward Pearl street, where it is connected with the interceptor. At the outer or seaward end of the sewer, tide gates were built. This sewer does the work of two sewers, in dry weather carrying sewage to the interceptor, and in rain storms flowing up hill, forcing open the tide gates, and discharging storm water into the sea. This seems to be a very desirable design to adopt when the interceptor is situated back from the shore line.

The old leaky wooden sewers in Endicott street, between Causeway and Thacher streets, between Endicott and North Margin streets, have been replaced with tight brick sewers.

The sewerage system for the markets, that has been so long in a most deplorable condition, has been rebuilt, and is now in satisfactory working order.

The Falmouth and Norway-street sewers that have been in so much danger of collapsing for a number of years have been rebuilt.

Sewers in Webster avenue and Unity street, and Beacon street, west of Charlesgate West, are under construction by day labor.

Six thousand one hundred and forty-five (6,145) linear feet of sewers and surface drains were built by the city by contract and day labor, and five thousand five hundred and thirty-seven (5,537) linear feet by private parties and released to the city.

SURFACE DRAINAGE.

The problem of surface drainage for the city of Boston has been exhaustively discussed in the annual reports for a number of years, but yet a few words more upon the subject, together with some statements of the amount of work it will be necessary to do, may not be amiss.

There are two different aspects in which the problem of surface drainage presents itself; the first is that of providing outlets for new catch-basins other than the old existing house sewers. Surface

drains for this purpose might often be of no very great length, say 300 to 600 feet, and twelve, fifteen, and eighteen-inch pipe. But in that case they would have to empty into the existing water-courses where those cross the streets through culverts.

The second aspect of surface drainage is that concerned with the keeping open and preservation of these same water-courses; or of substituting for them, when more convenient, large drains in the neighboring streets. It may often be a question whether it will be cheaper, wiser and better every way, to preserve the old brook channel, or to make one in a parallel street. Each case must be decided on its own merits. But as the old stream always runs in the lowest ground, it is better to preserve the old channel, unless it has been so far obliterated as to render it impracticable.

The history of the water-courses in the suburbs of Boston, that is, in Dorchester, West Roxbury and Brighton, would be a curious one. In many cases it seems as if the residents had regarded them as nuisances which could be removed by simply filling them up; forgetting that the same amount of rain must fall on any territory, no matter how highly improved, as has always fallen from the creation of this continent. This rain, of course, must be disposed of by artificial means if the natural means have been destroyed.

The course, therefore, that seems best for the city of Boston to pursue about surface drainage would be two-fold.

1. The city should, in the majority of cases where new catch basins are built, empty them into short surface drains leading to the nearest culvert or brook channel.

2. The city should take charge of straightening and deepening the channels of the brooks between the streets. In a great many cases this can be done by means of open channels; brick, stone, or concrete culverts being built of the proper size and at the proper depth, where the brooks cross the streets. In this way the "*régimé*" of the stream will be fixed beyond the possibility of unauthorized change, while the expense of covered channels for the whole length of the brooks will be postponed for many years, until it is forced by dense settlement.

The following tables, hastily prepared, give an approximate bird's-eye view of the surface drains which would be required in the principal valleys of Dorchester, West Roxbury, and Brighton during the next ten years. This is meant only as an *illustration* of the size and importance of the subject. It is impossible to predict in advance just which or how many of these surface drains will be required first; this would depend on a number of uncertain circumstances, the priority of settlement, the number of inhabitants, and many other circumstances, only known as they appear from time to time.

General Scheme for Surface Drains in Dorchester District.

[Approximate.]

DISTRICT.	Length of Surface Drain needed in next ten years. Linear Feet.	Approximate Cost.
Dorchester brook.....	9,000	\$20,000 00
Crescent-avenue brook.....	1,000	2,500 00
Sidney and Soudan-streets brook.....	650	1,450 00
Wesley-avenue and Sidney-street brook...	1,600	4,000 00
Midland-street brook.....	700	1,000 00
Dorchester avenue, between Savin-Hill and Roach-street brook.....	3,000	6,000 00
Glover's-corner brook.....	1,500	4,000 00
Clayton and Greenwich-streets brook....	3,000	6,000 00
Ashland and Capen-streets brook.....	400	600 00
Preston and Mills-streets brook.....	1,000	2,000 00
Elm-street brook.....	1,000	2,000 00
Park street at Harrison-square brook....	400	600 00
Park, Dickens and Adams-streets brook..	1,000	2,000 00
Tenean brook or Smelt brook.....	30,000	72,000 00
Tenean street, near Freeport-street brook..	1,500	2,500 00
Neponset brook.....	4,000	6,000 00
Taylor-street brook.....	500	1,000 00
Davenport brook.....	6,000	9,000 00
Richmond and Adams-streets brook.....	3,000	800 00
Central-avenue brook.....	800	1,200 00
Idaho-street brook.....	1,500	3,000 00
Brook, 750 feet west of last above.....	3,000	6,000 00
Brook, 2,250 feet west of last above.....	500	1,000 00
Brook, 300 feet west of last above.....	500	1,000 00
Mattapan brook.....	13,000	27,000 00
Oakland-street brook.....	2,500	5,000 00
Stony brook.....	7,500	22,000 00
Grand total.....	.....	\$209,650 00

General Scheme for Surface Drains in West Roxbury.

[Approximate.]

DISTRICT.	Length of Surface Drain needed in next ten years. Linear Feet.	Approximate Cost.
Goldsmith brook	2,155	\$21,095 00
Arundel street branch of Roslindale branch of Stony brook	3,990	24,925 00
Hewlitt and Farquhar streets branch of Stony brook	2,010	12,940 00
Spring-street brook	7,060	28,207 00
Roslindale branch of Stony brook	3,500	35,920 00
Montview and Kirk-streets brook	1,200	4,200 00
Grand total .....	.....	\$127,287 00

General Scheme for Surface Drains in Brighton.

[Approximate.]

DISTRICT.	Length of Surface Drain needed in next ten years. Linear Feet.	Approximate Cost.
Faneuil-valley brook	6,525	\$53,768 75
Oak-square branch of Faneuil-valley brook.	1,480	10,712 50
Market-street branch of Faneuil-valley brook	1,800	12,600 00
Holmes-avenue brook	2,400	21,500 00
Salt-creek brook	1,700	24,400 00
Brook across Commonwealth avenue, be- tween Kinross and Sutherland roads	800	5,800 00
Brook, from Chiswick road to Common- wealth avenue, and down Strathmore road	2,150	17,225 00
Brook, from Shepard street to Western avenue	10,525	152,956 25
Grand total .....	.....	\$298,962 50

Taking up the various principal valleys in Dorchester, somewhat in their order, from north to south, and then from east to west, I will begin with the west branch of Dorchester brook.

This rises in Washington street near Grove Hall, and runs down just east of Blue Hill avenue, crossing Lawrence avenue and Quincy street, and running through the old William Gray estate, near Howard avenue, joining the easterly branch, near Durginville.

The city is now building a separate system of sewers in the territory between Geneva and Lawrence avenues; house-sewer, 12-inch pipe; surface drain, from 3 to $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet diameter. Below Lawrence avenue there is only a combined system, sewer and brook being in one channel, a good deal of which is of a capacity of about 50 to 70 cubic feet per second. The area above Lawrence avenue is about 180 acres. The area of the whole brook is about 430 acres. It is evident that if storm water is to be admitted more freely at the upper end (which must happen as the settlement increases) some new outlet must be found for the storm water below, or flooding of low cellars will result.

The largest size of the existing old combined sewer is 4 feet \times 4 feet 6 inches, cross sectional area, 15 square feet; the largest size of the surface drain needed for this valley would probably be about 11 feet; cross sectional area 95 square feet.

The easterly branch of Dorchester brook rises on Mount Bowdoin, near the New England Railroad, and follows the general route of that railroad to Dudley street, and then through Humphreys street to the other branch at Durginville.

This valley, like the preceding, is supplied by combined systems; that is, the brook and sewer are all one. The size of the sewer at Columbia-street crossing is about 42 inches \times 36 inches; area above this point 70 acres. Total area of the brook, 225 acres; largest size of existing sewer, 5 feet, with cross sectional area of 20 square feet. Probable largest size of surface drain required, 6 feet 3 inches, with cross sectional area of 30 square feet.

The inadequacy of the existing sewer for the storm water is already shown at the Quincy-street crossing under the bridge, where it is reported that the street has had two feet of water in it during storms.

The next valley of interest is at Crescent avenue. Area of valley above Dorchester avenue, 40 acres; size of combined sewer below Dorchester avenue, 3 feet; capacity, 30 cubic feet per second and less.

This is a place where the culvert under Dorchester avenue has been obstructed, and much complaint has been made from the flowage in the neighborhood of Pond and East Cottage streets. Probably the only substantial relief for this district will be had in the building of additional surface drains, to supplement the existing combined sewer.

We now come to the valley of Hancock and Freeport streets, emptying at Glover's corner. There has been more or less complaint of flooded cellars and surface water, particularly from the neighborhood of Trull street, and also of Draper's court. No permanent relief or improvement can be obtained here without a system of surface drains.

We now come to the valley of what is called at its lower end, where tide flows, "Tenean creek," and in its upper part, "Smelt brook."

This brook is divided into two sections. The northern part rises at Washington street, near Olney, and flows down by Geneva avenue to the "clay pits," so called, and from there through the sewer yard to Park and Mill streets. The south branch rises on Washington street above Carlisle street, and flows down across Melbourne street and Dorchester avenue, by the way of Lonsdale and Edwin streets, crossing King, Centre, Dix, Parkman, and Gibson streets, to the sewer yard, where it joins the other branch.

With regard to the first named or north branch, the city has already built a liberal surface drain in Geneva avenue and Westville street, as well as culverts under Josephine and Charles streets, also a wooden channel, 6 × 6, in what is called the "old garbage yard." It would be well to complete this work as soon as practicable, at least to the extent of building culverts under the remaining streets, and deepening and straightening the channels between culverts.

On the south branch of this brook there is much swampy territory, and there are many new streets laid out and built upon in the square formed by Dorchester avenue, King, Adams, and Ashmont streets. On one of these new streets, Lonsdale street, also across Dorchester avenue, new culverts have been built of the proper size. No other scientific improvement of the channel has been made, but on the contrary it has been diverted through small pipes to suit the convenience of land owners. Some petitions have been sent in, asking the city to build a system of drainage for this whole territory. The least to be done is to straighten the line between existing culverts. Below this square, culverts have been built across King, Centre, Dix, Parkman, and Gibson streets.

Between the outlet of the last named at Commercial point and Neponset there are some small outlets, mostly tidal and draining, but little area. The only one needing mention here is one crossing Tenen street, 300 feet north of Fulton street, where the old wooden culvert has broken in, and should be rebuilt, either in wood or in better material.

We now come to a somewhat extensive stream called Davenport brook, which rises on Codman hill, also on the edge of Lower Mills Village, and also near Armandine street, and flows down, one branch through the Churchill meadow and Codman street, the other branch from Armandine, through Bailey and Van Winkle streets, to join the other, near the corner of Adams and Minot streets, from which point they flow by Marsh street to the Neponset river.

On the north branch of this brook, in Armandine, Ashmont, Bailey and Fuller streets, the condition of things is bad. Private parties have apparently fought the brook as if it were an enemy, and have so abused it as to put it clean out of sight; except in times of freshet, when it asserts itself by filling cellars, spreading over low lands, and sending the neighboring citizens into this division to ask for protection against malaria and diphtheria. (There doubtless being on this brook, as on most others, sink drains and water-closets emptying into the stream.)

On the south branch of this brook, leading from the rear part of Lower Mills Village, there is not so much complaint, as the locality is not so much settled. There is, however, some zymotic disease, calling for sewerage facilities; and there is an excellent chance to improve the sluggish, swampy brook channel now, while the territory is still unsettled.

The next brook along the Neponset river is the Mattapan brook, which rises at Capen and Selden streets, and flows along by the Forest-avenue station and the New England Railroad to Mattapan station on that railroad, whence it follows nearly the line of Blue Hill avenue, crossing it very obliquely to the Neponset river at Mattapan square.

Between the New England railroad and the Neponset river, this brook would so much affect the proposed widening of Blue Hill avenue (running in it a good deal of the way) that some scheme for its improvement in that part would have to be incorporated into the widening. The upper part of the brook is so extremely flat and swampy that it would very soon be a menace to the health of that rapidly-growing neighborhood, and ought to be straightened and deepened as a measure of sanitary precaution. There are on this brook probably 150 acres of swampy land, flowed every winter and spring, out of a total of 300 acres.

The last brook on the Neponset river is the Oakland brook, which rises on Oakland street, near Calvary Cemetery, flows northward in front of Mount Hope Cemetery, turns and runs eastward, then south-eastward, parallel with Walk Hill street; thence southerly, crossing Oakland street, and crossing the New England Railroad, near Rugby station, where it receives a large branch from the town of Hyde Park, and crossing River street makes its way into the Neponset river.

This brook has recently been studied by this division, in connection with the "Board of Survey" squares, being prepared for filing by the surveyors of the Street Commissioners' Department. Almost the whole valley of this brook is in a dense forest; but evidently the time when it will come into market in competition with its immediate neighbors is not far off, and it would be a great blessing to its future inhabitants if a scheme for improving the channel of the brook could be carried out in advance of the building of streets and houses.

We now come to the westerly quarter of Dorchester, which lies in the valley of Stony brook. This territory in its northerly part is high and rolling, sloping gently from Mount Bowdoin and Grove Hall to Talbot avenue. This portion of it needs very soon a good many lengths of surface drain, but no very extensive system at present, until the brooks are improved lower down. But south of Talbot avenue the condition of things is very different. There is a territory centring at Lauriat avenue and Dorchester station on the New England Railroad, which is naturally very swampy, and which has been settled up in advance of any system of drainage. The wants of the inhabitants here for house sewerage will soon be met by the completion of the new pumping station, by which their house sewage will be pumped over through Talbot avenue and the Centre-street tunnel to Dorchester bay. But this can evidently do absolutely nothing towards the surface drainage of the land; that is, towards relieving it from the rain water of 800 acres, brought down from Mount Bowdoin and Franklin Park, and diffusing itself over acres of swampy land. The natural course of the water from this territory is by the "Canterbury branch" of Stony brook, which crosses Blue Hill avenue, near Chapman avenue; thence crossing Harvard, Morton, and Walk Hill streets, passes just eastward of Canterbury street, to join the main stream of Stony brook, which flows from there by Forest Hills and Roxbury stations to the Back

Bay. But this course from Dorchester to the Back Bay is very long and flat. From the new pump house, near Dorchester station, by the route of the most convenient streets to Dorchester bay, near Harrison square, is about $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles. From the same pump house by the valley of Stony brook to its outlet at Beacon street, near Charles street, is about $5\frac{1}{2}$ miles. There is practically the same fall of 50 feet to high tide in either direction. This implies an average slope of about 9 feet to the mile towards the Back Bay, and an average slope of about 22 feet to the mile to Dorchester bay. But in the latter case, inasmuch as the intervening ridge is about 40 feet above the point of starting, the utilization of this route would probably be by a tunnel, passing at a flat grade 50 or 60 feet below the summit, and then by a channel having a quick descent to the waters of Dorchester bay.

No doubt the drainage of this section of Stony brook in Dorchester, as well as of quite a tract lying on the brook in West Roxbury, could be most speedily and effectually handled by means of such a tunnel, were it made large enough. The cost, however, would be considerable; it has been variously estimated at from \$250,000 to \$300,000 which has probably prevented it from being favorably considered up to the present time. There would be various advantages, however, connected with this tunnel, for the disposition of house sewage, which will be touched on later.

If it should prove that the time is not ripe for such a tunnel, a comparatively inexpensive relief for the surface drainage of the Lauriat-avenue and Chapman-avenue region can be obtained by deepening the open channel of the Canterbury branch of Stony brook down to the main brook, a distance of about 10,000 feet. (The main brook at this point was straightened and deepened to the established grade by the town of West Roxbury previous to annexation.) This is an improvement, by the way, which ought to be made at an early date for purposes of general sanitation and agricultural improvement.

Meanwhile, the existing state of things near Lauriat avenue is about as bad as anywhere in the city of Boston. This large brook, for the reception of which the city has built culverts across Lauriat avenue, 6 feet square, has been interrupted at many points by private streets with only 15 and 18-inch pipes provided for culverts.

WEST ROXBURY.

Goldsmith's brook.

The two branches of this brook rise near the line between West Roxbury and Brookline, and flowing down on opposite sides of Moss hill come together near Goldsmith street. From this point to Woodman street, a distance of about 400 feet, there is at present an open channel which needs widening and deepening. From Woodman street, across private land to Jamaica street, there is a culvert of about 15 square feet cross-sectional area, which should be increased to at least 30.

From Jamaica street to the easterly side of South street, a distance of about 600 feet, the present channel is large enough to satisfy the probable needs for the next ten years.

At South street the area naturally drained by the brook is about 550 acres, and the sewers at present built in this area receive more or less storm water which properly should be taken directly to the brook.

From South street to Call street, a distance of about 950 feet, the channel of the brook is, for the greater part of the distance, in a most deplorable condition. The yards and cellars are flooded during heavy storms and, except for a very small part of the way, no pretence is made of providing a sufficient channel, or of confining the brook within proper bounds.

Under Call street and the N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R., Providence Division, the channel is of sufficient size, but from the railroad to Washington street, a distance of about 450 feet, there is an open channel, of shallow depth, which seems to be a receptacle for all sorts of rubbish, and in warm weather is a menace to the health of the residents in this locality.

From Washington street to Stony brook is a large well-built culvert constructed by the city in 1895.

Arundel-street branch of Roslindale branch of Stony brook.

This brook drains a considerable area of swampy land bounded by Walter, Weld and Selwyn streets, containing about 40 acres. The main brook runs across Selwyn, Knoll, Arundel, Mozart, Hewlett, Farquhar and South streets, and the N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R., and Birch street, below which point it requires no attention at present.

At South and Hewlett streets are culverts of sufficient size. Under the other streets the culverts are much too small and should be rebuilt at a very early date.

The channel in other places, except where it crosses streets, requires deepening and widening.

Hewlett and Farquhar-streets branch.

This branch rises a little above Centre street, between Hewlett and Farquhar streets, and joins the Arundel-street branch about 250 feet from Walter street.

The culvert under Centre street is at present in a tumble-down condition, through which the water trickles without any pretence of free flow, and on the up-stream side stands in a large pool during wet weather.

Between Centre and Hewlett streets is, for part of the way, an open channel, and for the remainder of the distance a 6-inch pipe. The care of the water, after the culvert under Centre street is rebuilt, will require a 30-inch pipe. This will connect with the 30-inch pipe under Hewlett street, built in 1896.

From Hewlett street to Selwyn street there is an open channel which, for some three or four years to come, will probably require no attention. Within ten years, however, it will be necessary to make this into a walled channel.

At Selwyn street the brook was taken a few years ago by private parties into a 15-inch pipe, and carried up Selwyn street to Hewlett street, and thence down Hewlett street to the main branch, near Walter street. This 15-inch pipe has a capacity of about $3\frac{1}{2}$ cubic feet per second, and will in a few years be called upon to carry some 40 cubic feet per second, thus necessitating the rebuilding of the channel between the limits given above.

The area drained by these two brooks contains at present over 100 houses. There is a sewer in Hewlett street, and sewers nearly completed in Mozart, Selwyn and Arundel streets; also a demand for sewers in other streets in this area.

There is every reason to suppose that the usual attempt will be made by the property owners to fill in the brooks where they cross their land, particularly as these brooks in the summer time carry very little water. As the sewers in this vicinity are all designed on the separate system, they are utterly inadequate to care for any surface water from the streets.

Spring-street brook, between Charles river and head waters of the brook near Bellevue street.

This brook at present receives the sewage from quite a number of houses lying in the area between Centre, Spring and Baker streets. The sewers to be built in this area in the near future will connect with the Metropolitan sewer, now in process of construction, and are designed to carry only house sewage. This brook, therefore, will be an outlet for surface drainage for quite a large territory, and it is, therefore, of great importance that the channel be preserved in good condition, and when improvement is necessary that the improvements be built of proper size.

From the river to Baker street, a distance of about 3,500 feet, it is proposed to have an open channel, part being with sloping earth sides, and part with walled sides.

From Baker street to Centre street will be required a brick channel, containing from $12\frac{1}{2}$ to $23\frac{1}{2}$ square feet cross-sectional area. The existing culverts vary from 1 to 6 square feet in cross-sectional area.

From Centre street up, an open channel will answer for some time to come.

Roslindale branch of Stony brook, from Washington street to Central station.

This brook has been abused much less than any of those above mentioned, probably owing to the fact that building operations have begun in this territory within only a few years. It will require a wider and deeper channel, with proper culverts under the various streets, as the area becomes settled.

Brook from Montview street, near Kirk street, to Centre street, near Corey street.

This case is the worst that has been brought to notice in West Roxbury. At Centre street the brook has been taken into the surface drain in that street, and from Montview street nearly, or quite to Centre street, the channel is practically obliterated. For some little distance down from Montview street, however, there is a blind drain which replaced the brook, and the location of which, I am informed, can be easily determined in wet weather.

This blind drain does not operate to any extent, and as the surface of the ground at the outlet to the culvert under Montview street has been filled in to a height somewhat above the water line of the culvert, the water instead of running off becomes stagnant.

A request was made by the West Roxbury Improvement Society that the culvert be abandoned, and the basins connected with it be connected with the sewer in the street.

The sewers in the neighborhood are on the separate system and should receive no storm water whatever.

The above request is a fair sample of what always comes to pass if owners of land are allowed to interfere with natural water courses.

BRIGHTON.

Faneuil Valley brook, from upper culvert at Lake street, to Wool pond, near North Beacon street.

Culverts of size sufficient to answer for many years were built in 1891, under Lake street, at the two points where this brook crosses it. Between these points it is probable that no change will be made in the brook until the streets laid out by the Street Commission on the east side of Lake street are constructed, some of which cross this brook. Culverts under the streets will then be necessary, and the brook in the land between the streets will require walled sides. In this area the brook will receive all the surface water from the streets.

From the lower culvert, under Lake street, to Hobart street, the conditions are the same as above.

There are culverts under Washington, Fairbanks Oakland, and Faneuil streets built by the city, of proper size, but at Hobart street the culvert will require to be much larger than at present.

From Hobart street to Wool pond the brook is carried part of the way in an open-walled channel, and part of the way in a covered channel. Neither of these is of sufficient capacity to last for many years, except at Parsons street, where there is a culvert of proper size.

Oak-square branch of Faneuil Valley brook, from Brooks pond to Oak square.

Under Brackett street and at Faneuil and Brooks streets, at the junction of the two streets, culverts of about 25 square feet cross-sectional area are needed in place of the very small culverts at present in use.

In the private land between the streets the channel should be deepened and widened and the sides protected by stone walls.

At Oak square this brook receives all the surface water from Tremont and Nonantum streets, and a large part of Washington street, northwest of Oak square.

Brook from Market street, near Faneuil street, to outlet near North Beacon street.

The upper part of this brook, near Market street, has been filled in within two years. The lower part is in a covered channel of insufficient size. The middle part of the brook is open, and receives water from the hills in the vicinity.

There has been complaint by the owner of the land that in time of storm, or when the snow melted in the spring, that his land was flooded on account of the outlet being obstructed.

The upper and lower part of this brook should be taken into a 3-foot 6-inch circular brick conduit, and the middle part improved for the present by building an open channel, with walled sides.

Holmes-avenue brook, from Harvard avenue to culvert, under Commonwealth avenue, near Griggs street.

Culverts have been built in 1896 under Holmes avenue, at the two crossings of this brook. Owing to the proximity of Commonwealth avenue, and the fact that streets running perpendicular to

Holmes avenue have recently been completed in the town of Brookline, the line between which town and Boston is only about 250 feet from Holmes avenue, it seems probable that the land abutting on this street will soon be developed. On this account the proper thing to do is to take the brook into a brick conduit, which will vary from 16 to 24 square feet in cross-sectional area.

Salt Creek brook, between Boston & Albany Railroad and Commonwealth avenue.

This brook is the outlet for all the surface water falling on Commonwealth avenue, between Pleasant street and the summit southwest of Warren street, as well as for all the streets already built or to be built between the avenue and the southerly limits of the drainage area which lies in the town of Brookline. It is also the outlet for several branches lying wholly or in part in Brookline. This brook should be widened and deepened, with stone-wall sides, from the railroad up to the northerly line of Commonwealth avenue. From that point, for a distance of about 100 feet under the avenue, a new culvert was built in 1892, but in the southerly 60 feet of the avenue the old culvert of inadequate size and poor condition remains.

From the southerly side of the avenue a new culvert, following about the course of the brook, was built by private parties in 1893. It lies in private land, and is too small in size and of poor construction.

The last two mentioned should be rebuilt, thus affording an adequate outlet for the present concrete conduit in Commonwealth avenue.

Brook across Commonwealth avenue, between Kinross and Sutherland roads.

There is at present a culvert under the avenue and under Sutherland road which is not in very good condition, but will probably answer until the avenue is built to its full width. Below the avenue the brook should be taken into a brick conduit and carried down to connect with the brick drain built by private parties when the land along the lower part of the brook was developed.

The land in this vicinity is of considerable value, and as the sewers all drain into Brookline territory, and must be on the separate system, it is of importance that the brook be preserved to carry the surface water.

Brook from Chiswick road through private land to Commonwealth avenue, thence across the avenue and down Strathmore road to connect with existing channel at Englewood avenue.

This brook should be taken into a channel of proper size, as it will receive the surface water from streets covering considerable territory. The upper 650 feet of this brook lies in private land, and as it contains water only a few months in the year, and the land in this vicinity is being rapidly developed, means should at once be taken to preserve the channel. The remainder of the brook is carried in streets by small pipes and tumble-down stone drains to a brick conduit, built by private parties, and extending into the town of Brookline. It will require a channel containing about $7\frac{1}{2}$ square feet cross-sectional area.

Shepard-street brook, from Shannon street to Western avenue.

The present condition of this water course is a source of annoyance to the property owners in various parts of this drainage area, and will become more so as the territory increases in population. The brook rises near Union and Shannon streets, and formerly flowed across Shannon, Shepard, Washington and other streets to Western avenue, and thence to the Charles river. The condition of the brook at this time is as follows:

It is carried across Shannon street in a 24-inch pipe, laid by the city, from a point near its source to about half-way between Shannon and Shepard streets, where it empties into the open channel. A short distance below it is taken into a 15-inch pipe, built by private parties several years ago, and carried to Shepard street, at which point it is taken into the Shepard-street sewer. As the sewer in Shepard street has a capacity of only 4 cubic feet per second, and the water delivered by the brook at this point may, in time of average storm, amount to 15 or 20 cubic feet per second, it is not at all remarkable that some of the cellars and yards in this vicinity are flooded during storms.

From Shepard street to the West End car-house, near Washington street, the channel of the brook is obliterated; but the channel under the car-house still remains. From that point to Sparhawk street, the old, covered stone channel is in existence. Its location is known approximately, but not its size or condition. The catch-basins at the junction of Cambridge and Washington streets, which formerly emptied into the brook at this point, are now running into the sewer in Washington street, and in time of storm assist in overcrowding this sewer and flooding the cellars in the vicinity. From Sparhawk street to Murdock street the brook is entirely wiped out.

From Murdock street to North Beacon street, the channel remains; but at North Beacon street the brook was several years ago taken into the sewer at the earnest solicitation of one of the large property owners of Brighton. As the sewer was never designed to carry any such quantity of water as is brought to it by the brook, and is entirely inadequate for such purposes, the natural result has been that the sewer, in time of storm, is greatly overtaxed, and cellars along the valley of the brook are often flooded. It is perhaps a case of poetic justice that the man who was chiefly instrumental in having the brook taken into the sewer in order that it might be removed from his land farther down, has been one of the greatest sufferers from the overcrowding of the sewer. To restore the brook to this point will require a conduit, varying from 24 inches to 5 feet 6 inches in diameter.

From North Beacon street, nearly to Everett street, the channel is entirely obliterated; and, although there is a short length of open channel near Everett street, it has no outlet. From North Beacon street to Everett street would require a conduit of about 40 square feet cross-sectional area.

From the easterly side of Everett street to North Harvard street, the brook is carried in a covered channel, laid by private parties, consisting of wooden culverts and earthenware pipes, which vary in capacity from 3 to 8 cubic feet per second. If we consider only the area between Everett and Franklin streets, the quantity that will be brought to these pipes when the land is a little more developed will be at least 40 cubic feet per second. If we

consider the entire drainage area of the brook down to this point it will ultimately amount to 250 cubic feet per second. As the territory between Lincoln street and North Harvard street is sewered on the separate system, the necessity of providing an adequate outlet for surface water can readily be seen.

From a little beyond North Harvard street to Western avenue, and thence to the Charles river, there is an open channel which would only require deepening and widening, with perhaps walled sides.

It will be seen by the above report on surface drains that this division has made a very careful study of this, both on an engineering and scientific basis. This is a subject that has caused a great deal of trouble to the division, but the trouble in the past is nothing to what the trouble will be in the future, unless some remedy is given. The city has reported a bill to the Legislature for the relief of surface drainage.

MAIN DRAINAGE.

In the early history of Boston, when any citizen, or number of citizens, deemed it necessary to have a sewer to drain their cellars or lands, they proceeded without reference to the town government to construct and control a sewer to discharge by gravity on the most direct route to the tide water, of such size and materials as they saw fit.

With the increased importance of the town government, no drain was allowed to be laid or repaired without permission of the selectmen; but even then drains of all sorts, sizes and shapes were laid, sometimes more than one in a street, side by side, or one above the other, with no plans to show their location or the position of those previously laid.

Until it became a city, in 1823, and took control of all the sewers, new and old, the greater part of Boston was sewered in this way. Fourteen years later a "Superintendent of Sewers" was appointed to have entire charge of the sewers.

While Boston was a small city, situated on hilly land, with good slopes on all sides toward the water, allowing the sewers a grade that prevented any accumulation of deposits, the amount of sewage, insignificant when compared with the immense volume of sea water, caused little annoyance by the method of sewage disposal in use.

The increasing population and growth of the city, the territorial enlargement being for the most part by reclaiming the tidal marshes and flats, requiring the extension of sewers on slight, and, in some cases, level grades to the tide water, brought the evils of the sewerage system, or lack of system, into public notice.

The flood tide in closing the tide gates at the sewer outlets prevented the escape of the sewage, and forced the sewers to act for the greater part of twelve hours as stagnant, elongated cesspools, whose efficiency was being lessened daily by amassing deposits too solid to be removed by the feeble current produced by the ebbing of the tide. During high tide a heavy rain would surcharge the sewers, flood the cellars, and force the sewage itself into the houses.

Such an unbearable stench arose from the deposits putrifying in the sewers and in the catch-basins, constructed on the sewer lines, that all ventilating openings were sealed. In event of the wind blowing into the sewer, or the rising sewage, dammed by the flood tide, compressing the air, the foul sewer gas was forced up the badly constructed drains into the houses.

The sewage discharged from the seventy independent outlets during the latter part of the ebb, returning on the flood, was deposited, not only on the flats about the sewer outlets, but also far inland, there to decompose and fill the atmosphere with vile, penetrating odors that hung over the city from end to end.

The air was so polluted, especially in the neighborhood of the marsh lands, that houses were closed, and their occupants left the city; business was blocked, and laborers were obliged to quit work;

public attention was aroused, and complaints were received daily. To quote from a report of the city Board of Health: "Large territories have been at once and frequently enveloped in an atmosphere of stench so strong as to arouse the sleeping, terrify the weak, and nauseate and exasperate everybody."

The nuisance became so intolerable that an Act, to provide for a commission to be paid by the city of Boston, on the subject of drainage and water supply for the city of Boston and vicinity, was passed in a special session of the State Legislature (chap. 360, Acts of 1872). On the ground that the expense should be shared by the other cities and towns interested, Boston refused to comply with the terms of the Act.

Time passed, and although the complaints of the citizens became louder, the adjacent towns manifested no desire to co-operate with Boston in constructing a comprehensive Metropolitan sewerage system. The city, however, deciding to proceed alone, began by passing the following order in the City Council:

"*Ordered:* That the Committee on Sewers be requested to examine into the present system of sewerage in this city, and report to the City Council whether any improvement of the present sewerage facilities is necessary for the protection of the public health."

The Committee on Sewers reported that the sewerage system was very satisfactory, and that no improvements were needed.

In spite of the favorable report of the Committee on Sewers the question of improving the sanitary condition was again and again brought before public attention by the City Board of Health and by progressive citizens, with the result that early in 1875 His Honor, Mayor Samuel C. Cobb, appointed E. S. Chesborough, City Engineer of Chicago, Moses Lane, City Engineer of Milwaukee, and Charles F. Folsom, M.D., Secretary of the Massachusetts State Board of Health, as a commission to thoroughly investigate the sewerage of Boston, and the best method and scheme of sewage disposal for the future.

The carefully prepared, far-seeing report of this commission justified the anticipation of their ability to cope with the great question involved. In brief, they advised the construction of two trunk intercepting sewers, one designed to include the part of Boston and the adjoining territory lying to the north of the Charles river, to discharge at Point Shirley; the other, designed to drain, until the population was greatly increased, all the territory lying between the Charles river, Mother brook, Neponset river and the sea, an area of about 57.8 square miles; the sewage to flow by gravity to a pumping station at Dorchester bay, there to be raised about 30 feet, and then flow through a siphon, under the Neponset river to Moon Island. The sewage from both lines was to be stored in large masonry reservoirs, constructed near the points of discharge, and run out during the first two or three hours after high water. The reservoir at Moon Island was designed to store about 25,000,000 gallons of sewage, representing somewhat more than twice the amount then discharged in six hours. The outfall sewer was to be able to carry 445 cubic feet per second, or over 280,000,000 gallons per day. This was the amount of sewage calculated to be received from a population of 1,000,000, allowing 150 gallons per day per inhabitant and an amount of storm water equal to one-fourth of an inch of rainfall per twenty-four hours. They apprehended that in

ten or fifteen years the population would increase so that the building of a high-level sewer to drain the greater part of the territory above grade 40, about 46 square miles, would be advisable and economical, as the sewage from that district would then be discharged by gravity into the reservoir at Moon Island, and greatly relieve the work at the pumping station.

The commissioners' report embodied in substance the principal features of the main drainage systems as they exist to-day, and are proposed for the future.

The adoption of the commissioners' plan, so far as it applied to the territory south of the Charles river, the portion of the city where improved sewerage was the most urgent, was recommended by the special committee to examine the report. A joint special committee to take charge of the construction of the proposed improved sewerage system to be built under the direction of the City Engineer was appointed.

Extensive float experiments were made at Spectacle, Thompson's, Castle and Moon Islands, to determine the force and direction of the tidal currents, and the most fitting site for discharging the sewage. Moon Island was found to be by far the most favorable for the reservoir and outfall work. The studies prosecuted to determine the location of the pumping station showed a good clay foundation at the Cow Pasture at Old Harbor Point. These and some other alterations, as building a tunnel under Dorchester bay, change of location of part of the main sewer, etc., were found advisable after an accurate survey of the proposed route had been accomplished; but the principal features of the original scheme, a main sewer with branch interceptors traversing the low coast line of the city, a pumping station, an outlet sewer, with a siphon under the Neponset river, and reservoirs for storing the sewage during the flood tide, were incorporated in the plan. The work began in July, 1876, was pushed rapidly forward, and the first contract let during 1877.

Owing to the unexpected difficulties encountered, and to the rise in price of labor and materials between the letting and finishing of the contracts, a large part of the main sewer was built below cost, and several of the contractors failed. Many difficulties were overcome, and problems new to engineering science were solved. A number of the old sewers, some of which were working satisfactorily, had to be rebuilt to accommodate the new grade.

As it was desirable to relieve the city from the evils of the old sewerage system as soon as possible, the new works were put into operation on Jan. 1, 1884, although considerable work remained to be done. The total cost of the improved sewerage to Jan. 1, 1888, was \$5,000,000.

The solution of the sewerage problem for the towns adjoining Boston by large intercepting sewers to carry the sewage to pumping stations, there to be raised to such a height that it would flow by gravity into the sea, the intercepting sewer on the north side for Cambridge, Everett, Malden, Chelsea, Winthrop, Somerville, etc., to discharge at Point Shirley, reservoirs storing the sewage during flood tide, a high-level sewer to drain the territory 40 feet above the low water plane, when the capacity of the main intercepting sewer of the district between the Charles and Neponset rivers should be exceeded, was embodied in the report of the commission of 1875.

Improved plans, including an additional trunk line skirting the southern boundary of the city, designed to relieve the country in the Neponset-river valley, were subsequently made by the City Engineer.

The building of a sewerage system for the cities and towns north of the Charles river was taken in hand by the State, which appointed the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners in 1889, under whose jurisdiction the work was carried on and completed in 1895.

Interceptors receiving sewage from Melrose, Malden, Somerville, Woburn, Arlington, etc., unite in a large main sewer passing through Everett, Chelsea, East Boston and Winthrop to Deer Island, where it continuously discharges its contents into the sea. The reservoirs recommended in the original report of 1875 have not as yet been built.

The construction of this system, as well as the annual interest on the first cost, is borne by the municipalities and towns benefited according to the ratio of the valuation of each municipality or town to the total valuation of the tributary territory, and the annual cost of maintaining and operating the works is divided among those cities and towns according to the ratio of the population of each city and town to the total population of the tributary territory.

East Boston and Charlestown lie wholly within the system north of the Charles river, and by valuation Boston paid in 1896 on their account, 22 per cent of the cost of construction of the entire system, and of the interest on the cost, and 22.82 per cent of the annual cost for maintenance and operation.

In 1889 the work of extending the Boston main drainage from Huntington avenue and Parker street up the valley of the Charles river to the Waltham line, to abate the nuisance caused by emptying the sewage of Waltham, Watertown, Newton, Brighton, and Brookline into the Charles river, was placed in the hands of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners. The building of the sewer was begun in 1890, and connections were allowed to all of the above towns in the spring of 1892.

The system outlined by the City Engineer for the Neponset-river valley, including Milton, Hyde Park, Dedham, parts of West Roxbury, Dorchester, Newton and Brookline, lying within that water-shed, was partially built by Boston, and later taken up by the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, who have practically completed the main sewer nearly to the West Roxbury line at the time of writing.

The sewage from the Metropolitan sewers in the Charles and Neponset-river valleys, together with sewage from the Boston and Dorchester main drainage works, is raised at the Dorchester pumping station a distance of 35 feet, allowing it to flow without further pumping through the tunnel under Dorchester bay to the reservoirs at Moon Island, where it is stored until one hour after the beginning of the ebb tide.

As the sewage from the Charles system was discharged at Gainsborough street into the original main city sewer, and flowed from thence to the sea by Boston's disposal works, it was necessary to contract with Boston for disposing of this additional amount of sewage. Conferences were held between the city and State officials, resulting in certain arbitrary sums being paid annually to Boston

up to the year 1896, although these amounts were considerably less than what the city would have received had the amounts been determined on the lines laid down by the Apportionment Commission of 1890. That commission determined the per cent of the interest and cost of construction and of annual cost of maintenance of the sewers built by the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners that each city and town should pay for a period of five years. In 1895 when a new Apportionment Commission was appointed to determine the amounts to be paid by the several cities and towns in the Metropolitan sewerage district, it became necessary for the city of Boston to make a new settlement of the amount which should be paid for disposing of the sewage from the Charles and Neponset branches of the Metropolitan sewerage systems for a period of five years (1896-1900, inclusive). In January, 1895, negotiations began between the city officials and the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners. Figures were made by the Superintendent of Streets, basing the amount to be paid Boston on the ratio of the amount of sewage contributed by the surrounding cities and towns to the amount of sewage contributed by Boston. Exception to those figures was taken by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission in a letter dated Jan. 11, 1896, but in place of a computation on the same basis as that adopted by the Superintendent of Streets, changed to correspond with their criticisms, they forwarded a table showing that if their sewerage system was combined with the system of Boston, and the expenses of construction and interest borne according to the ratio of the respective valuations, and the expenses for maintenance borne according to the ratio of respective populations, that the total yearly cost to them for the Charles-river sewerage would be \$62,000, and as their expenses, exclusive of any sum paid Boston, were then about \$31,000 per year, they intimated that Boston should charge them not more than the difference (\$31,000) between their existing expenses and their expenses under any combination which they could get the authority of the Legislature to form, irrespective of what it cost the city of Boston to dispose of their sewage.

As the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners were not willing to accept the amounts proposed by Boston, the Superintendent of Streets, Mr. B. T. Wheeler, forwarded them a letter, which they received, offering to leave the amount to be paid Boston to three disinterested men, viz.: F. P. Stearns, E. C. Clarke, Joseph P. Davis, and to abide by their decision. No acknowledgment of this proposal was made.

Without further correspondence with Boston, the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission recommended to the Legislature "that the main trunk sewer of the Boston main drainage system, from the point at Gainsborough street, in Huntington avenue where the Charles-river system now connects with the main drainage system, to its outlet of discharge at Moon Island, the pumping station, storage basins, and discharge plant and sewers, should be taken, controlled and operated by the Commonwealth."

On the election of the Hon. Josiah Quincy to the mayoralty of Boston, the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission addressed a letter to him, stating their readiness to secure a settlement of the amounts to be paid Boston for disposing of the sewage from the Charles-river system. At a conference with the Sewerage Commissioners, it was decided that the engineering departments of the contracting

parties should compute the amount of sewage contributed by the Charles-river system in order to determine the division of expenses. Accordingly studies were begun by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission and the Boston Street Department. While these studies were in progress, the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission submitted a bill to the Chairman of the Committee on Metropolitan Affairs authorizing the Commonwealth to acquire the Boston main drainage system by purchase or otherwise. At a hearing appointed by that committee, a verbal agreement was made by the city of Boston with the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to accept the provisional amount of \$27,000 for disposing of the sewage from the cities and towns in the Charles-river system after it entered the Boston main sewer at Gainsborough street, Boston, during the year 1896; it being understood that any amount should be paid to the city of Boston or to the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners according to the balance shown by the computations then being made by the engineering departments.

Meanwhile the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, in their report of 1896, requested the Legislature to pass an Act as before requested, authorizing the Commonwealth to take the Boston main drainage system.

A study of the sewage contributed and anticipated from the Charles-river system for sixteen years (1895 to 1910, inclusive) was first made. This involved an extended investigation of the population, water consumption and sewage of Waltham, Watertown, Newton, Brookline, Brighton, and the part of Boston above Gainsborough street. Whenever possible, the population for 1895 was obtained from advance sheets of the State census. After the second count and publication of the census, these figures were revised. In determining the water consumption, use was made of the best data possessed by the Metropolitan Water Board, the Boston Water Board, and the State Board of Health.

As it was expected that the Neponset-river system would be in operation by Jan. 1, 1898, a study of the cities and towns in that system was also conducted. Milton, Hyde Park, Dedham, part of West Roxbury, and part of Dorchester came properly within that system. The city of Quincy lies almost wholly without that watershed and connects its sewerage with the Boston system, at a point below the tunnel at Squantum Head. Quincy uses, therefore, only the portion of the Boston sewerage system from Squantum to the sea, consisting of the outfall sewer, the reservoirs and the outlet sewer. Although Quincy does not lie within the Metropolitan sewerage district, yet in view of the connection with the Boston system and its possible absorption by the State Commission, a study of its population, water consumption and sewage was made.

The final figures adopted by the Metropolitan Sewerage Commission and the Boston Street Department for the Charles and Neponset valleys are as follows:—

Population and Water Consumption of the Charles-river Valley System.

DISTRICT.	Year.	Population.	Average Daily Water Consumption, per capita. Gallons.	Total Daily Water Consumption. Gallons.
Waltham	{ 1895	20,876	59	1,222,000
	{ 1900	23,600	70	1,652,000
	{ 1905	28,300	75	2,122,000
	{ 1910	34,000	80	2,720,000
Watertown.....	{ 1895	7,788	40	312,000
	{ 1900	9,300	54	502,000
	{ 1905	11,200	58	650,000
	{ 1910	13,400	62	831,000
Newton.....	{ 1895	27,590	65	1,802,000
	{ 1900	33,700	70	2,359,000
	{ 1905	41,100	75	3,082,000
	{ 1910	50,100	80	4,008,000
Brighton.....	{ 1895	15,001	70	1,050,000
	{ 1900	19,500	72	1,404,000
	{ 1905	24,500	74	1,813,000
	{ 1910	30,700	76	2,333,000
Brookline.....	{ 1895	16,164	81	1,308,000
	{ 1900	20,200	88	1,778,000
	{ 1905	25,000	91	2,275,000
	{ 1910	31,000	94	2,914,000
Part of Boston.....	{ 1895	10,790	81	874,000
	{ 1900	16,500	86	1,419,000
	{ 1905	22,500	91	2,048,000
	{ 1910	30,000	95	2,850,000
Charles-river District..	{ 1895	98,209	67	6,568,000
	{ 1900	122,800	74	9,114,000
	{ 1905	152,600	79	11,990,000
	{ 1910	189,200	83	15,656,000

**Population and Water Consumption of the Neponset-river
Valley System.**

DISTRICT.	Year.	Population.	Average Daily Water Consumption per capita. Gallons.	Total Daily Water Consumption. Gallons.
Milton.....	{ 1895	5,518	24	133,000
	{ 1900	6,900	45	311,000
	{ 1905	8,600	50	430,000
	{ 1910	10,700	55	589,000
Hyde Park.....	{ 1895	11,826	41	482,000
	{ 1900	14,100	45	635,000
	{ 1905	16,600	50	830,000
	{ 1910	19,600	55	1,078,000
Dedham	{ 1895	7,211	57	411,000
	{ 1900	8,000	60	480,000
	{ 1905	9,500	63	599,000
	{ 1910	12,000	66	792,000
Part of W. Roxbury...	{ 1895	2,030	60	122,000
	{ 1900	4,000	63	252,000
	{ 1905	8,000	66	528,000
	{ 1910	13,000	69	897,000
Part of Dorchester....	{ 1895	7,343	60	441,000
	{ 1900	13,000	63	819,000
	{ 1905	18,000	66	1,118,000
	{ 1910	24,000	69	1,656,000
Neponset-river valley,	{ 1895	33,928	47	1,589,000
	{ 1900	46,000	54	2,497,000
	{ 1905	60,700	59	3,575,000
	{ 1910	79,000	63	5,012,000

The leakage, as determined by this division, was found to be about twenty-two gallons per capita per day, making the total amount of sewage from the Metropolitan sewer system as follows :—

Sewage from the Charles-river Valley System.

YEAR.	Population.	Average daily sewage per capita.	Total daily sewage discharge. Gallons.
1895	98,209	89	8,729,000
1900	122,800	96	11,816,000
1905	152,600	101	15,347,000
1910	189,200	105	19,819,000

Sewage from the Neponset-valley System.

1895	33,928	69	2,335,000
1900	46,000	76	3,509,000
1905	60,700	81	4,910,000
1910	79,300	85	6,750,000

The sewage contributed by Boston to the pumping station, together with that from the Metropolitan sewer system and the waste sea water from the manufactories constituted the total amount of sewage to be cared for.

The annual expense of disposing of the sewage was found to be \$1,465 per million gallons discharged daily.

Owing to the probable admission of the Neponset-river system in 1898 the maintenance account was divided into two parts : first, from 1895 to 1898; second, from 1898 to 1910.

The division of the expenses for disposal, according to the ratios of the respective populations for the period from 1895 to 1898 are given herewith.

DISTRICT.	Year.	Population.	Sewage.	By Population. Per cent.	Maintenance. Payment.
Charles-river system.....	1895	98,209	8,729,000	20.27	\$18,600
	1896	103,127	9,346,000	20.77	19,500
	1897	108,045	9,964,000	21.25	20,500
Boston, excluding East Boston.....	1895	386,200	50,592,000	79.73	73,100
	1896	393,220	51,509,000	79.23	74,500
Charlestown and Boston in.....	1897	400,240	52,431,000	78.75	75,800
C. R. V. and W. Roxbury in N. R. V. {	1895	484,409	62,621,000	100.00	91,700
Tributary to Dorchester pumping station	1896	496,347	64,155,000	100.00	94,000
	1897	508,285	65,695,000	100.00	96,300

NOTE.—Total sewage includes 3,300,000 gallons waste sea water.

On the admission of the Neponset system in 1898, a portion of the Boston territory will pass under the jurisdiction of the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners. The division of expenses for disposal during the period of 1898 to 1910, inclusive, is as follows:—

DISTRICT.	Year.	Popu- lation.	Sewage.	By Popu- lation, Per cent.	Mainte- nance. Payment.
Charles-river valley..... and Neponset-river valley.....	1898	154,133	13,620,600	27.29	\$28,000
	1899	161,465	14,472,800	28.64	29,000
	1900	168,800	15,325,000	29.25	31,000
	1905	213,300	20,257,000	32.88	39,000
	1910	268,500	26,569,000	36.55	49,000
Boston, excluding East Boston, Charlestown, and parts in C. R. and N. R. V.....	1898	396,521	51,944,000	72.01	73,000
	1899	402,409	52,716,000	71.36	74,000
	1900	408,300	53,487,000	70.75	75,000
	1905	435,700	57,512,000	67.12	80,000
	1910	466,100	61,991,000	63.45	86,000
Tributary to Dorchester pumping station.....	1898	550,654	68,865,000	100.00	101,000
	1899	563,874	70,489,000	100.00	103,000
	1900	577,100	72,112,000	100.00	106,000
	1905	649,000	81,069,000	100.00	119,000
	1910	734,600	91,860,000	100.00	135,000

NOTE.—Total sewage includes 3,300,000 gallons waste sea water.

The total cost of that part of the Boston improved sewerage system which is utilized in disposing of the sewage from the tributary territory in question, comprises the original cost, together with the interest on the cost, up to the date when the city began to use said system. The interest on the total cost, at four per centum per annum, was apportioned between the Charles and Neponset-river districts and the city of Boston according to the ratio of their respective valuations in agreement with the award of the Apportionment Commission.

As far as known, no forecast of the growth of the valuation of the various cities and towns has been made heretofore.

These valuation studies, ranging from the year 1861 to 1910, presented many difficulties and consumed considerable time. As far as possible the property valuations as set forth in the "Aggregate of Polls, Property, Taxes, etc.," as annually compiled by the Commonwealth, were used. The actual valuation of the portions of Boston tributary to the Metropolitan sewer system were deduced from a careful inspection of the assessors' books of the city of Boston.

The cost of that portion of the Boston main drainage works used by the Charles-river system was \$4,743,000; the interest upon which, borne according to the ratios of valuation, would be:—

Interest—1895-1898.

DISTRICT.	Year.	Valuation.	Per cent.	Interest. Payment.
Charles-river valley.....	1895	\$183,884,413	17.94	\$34,000
Boston, excluding East Boston and Charlestown portions, in C. R. V. and W. Roxbury, in N. R. V.....	1895	841,135,048	82.06	156,000
Tributary to Dorchester pumping sta- tion.....	1895	1,025,019,461	.....	190,000

The cost of the Dorchester interceptor, omitting the portion between Granite bridge and Central avenue, which the State proposes to buy, which drains the Neponset system, would bring the total cost of the Boston drainage works used by the Charles and Neponset-river systems to \$5,134,000, the interest upon which should be borne as follows:—

Interest—1898-1910.

DISTRICT.	Year	Valuation.	Per cent.	Interest. Payment.
Charles-river and Neponset-river val- leys.....	1898	\$232,226,534	21.78	\$45,000
	1900	284,400,000	22.35	46,000
	1905	341,000,000	24.24	50,000
	1910	400,000,000	25.61	53,000
Boston, excluding parts in C.R. & N.R. valleys, East Boston and Charles- town.....	1898	832,445,348	78.22	160,000
	1900	986,900,000	77.65	159,000
	1905	1,065,800,000	75.76	155,000
	1910	1,162,200,000	74.39	152,000
Tributary to Dorchester pumping sta- tion.....	1898	1,064,671,882	.....	205,000
	1900	1,271,300,000	.....	205,000
	1905	1,406,800,000	.....	205,000
	1910	1,562,200,000	.....	205,000

In a letter to the Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners, dated Jan. 25, 1897, containing the above tables and a detailed account of their derivation, the Street Department stated that the amounts due Boston for disposing of the sewage from the Charles and Neponset systems, consisting of their proportionate share of the annual interest and the cost of maintenance and operation, were:—

For 1896	\$53,500	For 1900	\$77,000
“ 1897	54,000	“ 1905	89,000
“ 1898	73,000	“ 1910	102,000
“ 1899	74,000		

No acknowledgment of the receipt of this letter has been made to the Street Department.

The first hearing before the Committee on Metropolitan Affairs on the bill of the Board of Metropolitan Sewerage Commissioners to authorize the Commonwealth to take the part of the Boston main drainage works used by the State is set for an early date in the ensuing month. The officials of the city will strenuously oppose the taking of this plant by the State, for the reasons that have been enumerated previously in this report.

During the past year this division has been able to make large and extensive repairs on the pumping-station through the generosity of the government authorizing special loans for that purpose.

During the ensuing year this division will advocate the extension of the storage reservoirs at Moon Island, the increasing of the present pumping powers of the pumps that are at present in the station, and also of the designing of a 60,000,000 high-duty pump. With these additions made to the works, the city will then be in condition to handle its sewerage and that of the Metropolitan district for a number of years. In all probability the pumping plant at Cow Pasture, with these additions, will be as large as this plant will ever need to be, as it will then have a capacity of over 200,000,000 gallons a day. The city should proceed with the designing and constructing of what is known as the high level sewers, which were advocated at the time that this plant was put in, so as to relieve the pumps.

VENTILATION OF SEWERS.

The subject of the ventilation of our sewer system is one that has received considerable attention in the past, but no practicable scheme has yet been evolved. A plan was at one time proposed for drawing out the foul air from the sewers by means of a large fan, or fans, situated at or near the outlets of the systems; but it is evident that this plan would not be practicable, because the fan would be supplied with air which would rush in through the perforations in the covers of the manholes on the system nearest to the point where the fan was located, and little or no effect would be felt in the sewer system at points more distant. Now, these distant points, that is, the summits of the system, are precisely the points where ventilation is most needed.

At the present time the perforations in the manhole covers are depended upon to keep the sewers ventilated, and in the summer time this system works fairly well, the only complaint being from some very particular persons, who observe the perforated manhole cover opposite their dwelling, and imagine they are exposed to infectious diseases from the emanations from the sewer. These persons are usually quieted by replacing the perforated cover by a closed cover, and the majority of citizens make no complaints.

There are, however, a few cases in which citizens suffer serious annoyance, where their dwellings are situated near the highest points or terminals of the sewer system upon steep hillsides, because at these places, owing to the steepness of the grade of the sewer, more foul air is probably thrown out at the extreme upper manhole, and less out of the others along the line of the sewer, than is the case in more level country where the sewers are laid on flatter grades. But, however satisfactorily the system may work in the summer time, it is a total failure in the winter, when the perforations in the manhole covers are completely sealed by snow and ice. At such times the system is entirely unventilated, and when, owing to a

sudden rain or thaw, the sewers are quickly filled with water, and their gaseous contents consequently expelled, the latter are undoubtedly forced into the houses through the traps.

It is, therefore, very desirable that a better system should be devised for ventilating the sewers, and one which will work at all seasons of the year. Some channel for the egress of the foul air should be provided at all the terminal points, or so called "dead ends," of the sewer system, for the reasons which have been just mentioned. Now it is evident that no opening can be left in the surface of the street, neither can any column or shaft be erected in the middle of the street, where the sewers are usually situated. The only location in the street which seems to be available is the same as is usually occupied by electric light or trolley poles; namely, the strip just back of the curbstone on the sidewalk. I recommend that tall iron columns or poles should be erected in these locations, just back of the curbstone, which columns should be hollow and large enough to go above the roofs of the surrounding buildings; these high columns or shafts to be connected by a pipe with the sewers, and thereby always afford a free outlet for the foul air of the sewers. The objection to this is, of course, that they would not be ornamental, but they might be used for some other purposes, as, for instance, the support of electric arc lights, and therefore be rendered not quite so objectionable or conspicuous. In the residential districts of the city these would not be excessively high; and in the business portion, where the high buildings are situated, it might be possible to make connections with high chimneys, by permission of the owners or by paying for the privilege, which would serve the same purpose.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Sewer assessments have been made by this division for the year ending Jan. 31, 1897, in accordance with chap. 402 of the Acts of 1892, and amendments thereto, to the amount of \$193,078.28, and the bills have been deposited for collection with the City Collector.

Bills for sewer assessments, amounting to \$4,317.71, have also been deposited for collection, representing those estates assessed under chap. 456 of the Acts of 1889, and amendments thereto, which have made connection with the public sewers during the year, making the total amount of assessments deposited for collection \$197,395.99.

There remains on the books of this division, at 5 per cent interest, \$28,546.64, representing the assessments under the Acts of 1889, and amendments thereto, for those estates which have not been connected with the sewers for which they were assessed, and bills for which will be deposited for collection as the connections are made. This sum represents 21.5 per cent of the total assessments made under those Acts.

Entrance fees to the amount of \$3,196.21 have been collected from estates upon which no sewer assessment was ever paid, in accordance with chap. 36, sect. 10, of the Revised Ordinances.

Permits have been issued to licensed drain-layers to make 2,631 connections with the public sewers, and the work done under these permits has been inspected, and a record of same made on the plans of this division.

The following tables and statements will show the amount of money expended and work done by this division during the year: —

Financial Statement.

APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances on hand Feb. 1, 1896.	Appropriations added during the year.	Total Credits.	Expenditures during the year.	Balances on hand Jan. 31, 1897.
Street Department, Sewer Division.....	* \$276,615 25	.....	\$276,615 25	\$276,615 25	
Laying Out and Construction of Highways.....	.....	\$435,538 20	435,538 20	435,538 20	
Blue Hill and other avenues.....	.....	143,759 89	143,759 89	143,759 89	
Back Bay outlet.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	.....	\$5,000 00
Canal-street relief sewer.....	.....	25,000 00	25,000 00	7,537 97	17,462 03
Connections with Metropolitan sewer, Charles- town.....	.....	23,000 00	23,000 00	2,369 64	20,630 36
Connection with Metropolitan sewer, East Boston, D-street outlet and relief sewer, Dorchester avenue, South Boston.....	.....	25,000 00	25,000 00	5,874 33	19,125 67
Forest-avenue section, temporary sewer outlet, etc., Pumping-station improvements.....	17,116 65	6,000 00	23,116 65	21,801 71	23,000 00
Sewer outlet, Porter street.....	.....	10,000 00	10,000 00	5,017 75	1,314 94
Sewer outlet (low level), West Roxbury district.. Sewers, South Boston.....	7,824 64	.....	7,824 64	4,643 57	4,982 25
Sewer outlets, South Boston.....	877 51	.....	877 51	82 80	16,000 00
Shamrock-street outlet.....	.....	35,000 00	35,000 00	18,895 08	3,181 07
Storm sewers, Cornwall and Washington streets, Ward 22.....	*	8,000 00	8,000 00	958 05	794 71
Stony-brook Improvement.....	.....	3,500 00	3,500 00	.....	16,104 92
Totals.....	\$302,434 05	\$858,798 09	\$1,161,232 14	\$1,024,148 50	7,041 95
					596 48
					1,849 26
					\$137,083 64

In addition to the above there was expended, on account of Paving Division, for catch-basins, culverts and sewers, necessitated by street construction, the sum of \$48,804.84; also for sewers, necessitated by the construction of South Union Station, \$187.02, making a total of \$1074,800.36.

* Original appropriation..... \$280,000 00
 Less transferred..... 3,384 75
 \$276,615 25

OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE.

IMPROVED SEWERAGE.

Office Salaries	\$500 00
Pumping station, inside	44,863 02
Pumping station, outside	14,028 47
Engines and boilers	12,778 26
Main and intercepting sewers	12,935 39
Moon Island	13,459 76
Towboat	4,874 48
	<u>\$103,439 38</u>

PUMPING STATION, FOREST-AVENUE SECTION, DORCHESTER.

Building and machinery	\$13,797 42
Grading over gravity main	378 75
	<u>\$14,176 17</u>

STONY-BROOK CHANNEL.

Maintenance	\$15,003 78
Repairing Linden Park-street wall	170 20
Repairing Boylston-avenue bridge	427 03
Altering channel at Ruggles street	1,299 15
	<u>\$16,900 16</u>

STONY-BROOK IMPROVEMENT.

Section 5	\$33,298 33
Section 6	46,880 45
Section 7	141 59
Centre street and private land	
Altering gate house	2,081 58
Office and engineers, salaries	10,246 35
Engineering expense	2,383 36
Land damages	2,278 75
Miscellaneous	898 80
	<u>\$98,209 21</u>

MISCELLANEOUS.

Office expenses, including salaries of Deputy Superintendent, clerks and draftsmen, stationery, drawing materials, etc.	\$24,891 88
Engineering expenses, including salaries of engineers, instruments, etc.	58,778 70
Current expenses of yards and lockers	23,927 07
Current expenses of stables, including cost of horses, vehicles, harnesses, etc.	\$34,369 25
Less amount earned by department teams	9,413 00
	<u>24,956 25</u>
Repairing sewers	7,146 44
Cleaning and flushing sewers	8,211 19
Cleaning catch-basins	29,528 11
Repairing streets	286 62
Building, repairing and cleaning culverts and surface drains, not included in the Stony-brook system	16,792 35
Examining condition of sewers and catch-basins	4,065 81
	<u>\$198,584 42</u>
Carried forward	

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<i>Brought forward</i>		\$198,584 42
Work for departments and others		2,347 38
House connections		4,965 19
Damages and claims		619 87
Holidays		8,962 07
Travelling and incidental expenses		5,552 87
Repairs of department buildings, stables and yards		579 97
Engines and boilers and repairs		231 18
General repairs		1,230 74
Smoke inspection		1,312 00
Balances on old contracts		724 60
Hardware, tools and blacksmithing not included elsewhere		8,790 01
Rubber goods, not included elsewhere		1,275 88
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		\$235,176 18
Less over credit on water rates, charged off to sewer construction	\$6,133 51	
Less decrease in stock	1,015 54	
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		7,149 05
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		\$228,027 13
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City Proper.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896 and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Atlantic av.....	Congress st. and Pearl st.....	184.72	18-in. pipe.		\$1,308 99
Beach st.....	Harrison av. and Washington st.....	396.90	2 ft. 6 in. X 3 ft., brick.	Part rebuilding.....	4,804 43
Court st. and Bulfinch st.....	{ End of old sewer and Bulfinch pl.....	325.34	12-in., pipe.		1,302 19
Central st.....	Atlantic av. and India st.....	218.00	5 ft. X 5 ft. 3 1/2 in., brick.	Rebuilding.....	7,496 37
Congress st.....	Atlantic av. and Sea wall.....	409.13	2 ft. 6 in. X 3 ft., brick.	Overflow sewer.....	7,665 85
Dundee st.....	Dalton st. and Massachusetts av.....	8.67	In tide-gate manhole.	Part rebuilding.....	
Endicott st. and Thacher st.....	{ End of old sewer and North Margin st.....	683.65	12-in., pipe.		2,183 86
Falmouth st. and Norway st.....	{ Dalton street and Huntington av.....	498.80	2 ft. 8 in. X 4 ft., brick.	Rebuilding.....	11,693 83
Laconia st.....	{ Washington st. and Harrison av.....	175.24	2 ft. 6 in. X 3 ft., brick.		
Malden st.....	{ Albany st. and Harrison av.....	238.97	2 ft. 6 in. X 3 ft. 3 in., brick.	Piles and rebuilding....	9,252 35
North Market st..	{ Commercial st. and Merchants row.....	127.84	2 ft. X 2 ft. 7 in., brick.		
South Russell st..	Cambridge st. and Myrtle st..	81.30	12-in., pipe.	Rebuilding.....	879 00
Tyler st.....	Oak st. and Curve st.....	304.05	12-in., pipe.	Paid for by Public Buildings Department.....	1,202 59
Tyler st.....	Kneeland st. and Harvard st..	470.30	12-in., pipe.	Contract. Rebuilding..	1,400 94
Unity st. and Webster av....	{ Charter st. and Revere pl.....	7.50	In tide-gate chamber.	{ Rebuilding. Old sewer removed. Gravel refilling... }	21,252 92
		636.66	12-in., pipe.	Rebuilding piles.....	
		325.95	2 ft. X 3 ft., brick.	Rebuilding	892 33

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896 and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, under Chapter 323 of the Acts of 1891, as amended by Chapter 418 of the Acts of 1892, or Special Acts referring thereto.

Clinton st.....	Commercial st. and Fulton st.	<div> <div>169.45</div> <div>50.83</div> <div>28.00</div> </div>	<div> <div>12-in., pipe, sewer.</div> <div>10-in., pipe, C. B. drain.</div> <div>6-in., pipe, house drain.</div> <div>3 catch-basins.</div> </div>	Contract.....	<div> <div>\$842 36</div> <div>\$72,178 01</div> <div>6,085 48</div> <div>\$78,263 49</div> </div>
25 new catch-basins and drop-inlets built and 107 repaired.....					

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
Allston pl.....	Allston st., southerly	120.80	10-in., pipe.	Siphon at Washington st.
Dix pl.	Washington st., westerly.....	325.73	12-in., pipe.	
Eliot st.	Tremont st. and Park sq.	12.00	20-in., pipe.	
		1.00	15-in., pipe.	
		401.00	2 ft. X $\frac{3}{8}$ ft., brick.	
		179.00	30-in., iron pipe.	
		30.00	20-in., pipe.	
		162.00	18-in., pipe.	
		97.00	15-in., pipe.	
		291.00	12-in., pipe.	
Hanover st.....	Washington st. and Court st....	149.00	10-in., pipe.	

City Proper. — Concluded.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1897 by Private Parties.

LOCALITY.		Length in feet.	Dimensions and Materials.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
Haymarket sq.....	.....	55.00	2 ft. 6 in. X 2 ft. 9 in., wood.	
Portland st.....	.....	101.30	18-in., pipe.	
Shawmut av. ....	.....	61.10	12-in., pipe.	
Tremont st.....	Hanover st. and Sudbury st....	292.70	18-in., pipe.	
Trinity pl.....	Common st. and Pleasant st....	238.50	12-in., pipe.	
Washington st....	.....	125.50	10-in., pipe.	
	Boylston st. and Warrenton st.,	852.00	12-in., pipe.	
	St. James st. and Railroad.....	949.00	10-in., pipe.	
	Elm st. and Haymarket sq....	185.80	12-in., pipe.	
	.....	159.00	2 ft., circular brick.	
	.....	28.00	12-in., pipe.	
	.....	80.00	8-in., pipe.	
Surface Drains built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.				
Summer st. ....	.....	174.00	3 ft. X 3 ft., wood.....	Extension of outlet. Part contract.
Surface Drains built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.				
Boston Common..	.....	624.00	8-in., pipe.	
Park st and }	.....	16.25	10-in., pipe.	
Tremont st... }	.....		

East Boston.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Border st.	Connection with Met. sewer, near Decatur st.	26.00	15-in., pipe.	1 sump manhole, 1 regulator manhole and overflow manhole.	\$2,375 42
Leyden st. and private land	Breed st. and Chelsea av.	{ 373.58 518.68 472.30 200.40 502.80	{ 30 in. X 36 in., brick. 24-in., pipe. 18-in., pipe. 15-in., pipe. 12-in., pipe.	.....	17,092 57
Liverpool st.	Decatur st. and Central sq.	610.00	18-in., pipe.	285 ft. built by contract, Contract	2,241 88
Meridian st.	Condor st. and Chelsea bridge, Connection with Met. sewer at Condor st.	265.53 10.45 3.67	12-in., pipe. 15-in., pipe. 12-in., pipe.	1 sump manhole, 1 regulator manhole and 1 overflow manhole.	651 56 1,370 30
Porter st.	Connection with Met. sewer at Bremen st.	6.00 8.00	24-in., pipe. 20-in., iron pipe.	1 sump manhole and 1 regulator manhole.	3,567 86
Saratoga st.	Bennington st. and Austin av. ....	.....	.....	Built in 1895.....	1,023 20
9 new catch-basins and drop-inlets built and 40 repaired.....		2,997.41			\$28,322 79
					2,438 36
					\$30,761 15

Charlestown.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Alford st.....	Connection with Metropolitan Sewer.....	225.00	15-in. pipe.	1 sump manhole, 1 tide gate manhole.....	\$2,384 13
Chelsea st.....	Connection with Metropolitan Sewer at Vine st.....	{ 120.76 24.02	4 ft. X 4 ft. 3 in., brick. 18-in., pipe.	Rebuilding	2,316 61
Parker st.....	Cambridge st. and Hadley st....	{ 24.40 107.60	12-in., pipe. 1-in., pipe.	Rebuilding.....	608 62
St. Martin st.....	Medford st. and Bunker Hill st.	528.10	122-in., pipe.....	.....	1,403 04
		1,020.88			\$6,772 40
6 new catch-basins and drop-inlets built, and repaired					3,345 62
					\$10,118 02

South Boston.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

B and Seventh sts. outlet.....	Dorchester av. and South Bay, (Dorr-st. outlet, so called.)	480.00	6 ft. 6 in., circular brick.	Rebuilding	\$18,475 58
D st. and Dorches- ter av. overflow.	Dorchester av. and South Bay,	31.43	2 ft. 6 in., circular brick.	Rebuilding	5,799 35
D st.....	West First st. and West Sec- ond st.....	76.64	3 ft. 3 in., circular brick.	Rebuilding	4,202 25
E st.....	Seventh st. and Eighth st.....	591.84	3 ft. X 4 ft., wood.	Rebuilding	1,010 91
Private land along O. C. R.R.....	Jenkins st. and Boston pl.....	62.73	2 ft. X 3 ft., brick.	Rebuilding.....	1,529 30
Rawson st.....	Existing sewer and 125 feet easterly	33.63	4 ft. X 3 ft. 6 in., brick.	13.70 ft. rebuilding. }	1,056 37
West Second st....	E st. and D st.....	244.42	4 ft. X 4 ft. 3 in., brick.	126.27 ft. new sewer. }	2,406 67
Vinton st. outlet in private land.....	O. C. R.R. and tide water.....	171.00	24-in., pipe.	Rebuilding	1,790 01
		290.51	15-in., pipe.		
		251.03	24-in., pipe.		
		139.97	12-in., pipe.		
		230.38	2 ft. X 3 ft. brick.		
		205.20	2 ft. X 3 ft. brick.		
		88.77	2 ft. 4 in. X 3 ft. wood.		
		2,897.55			\$36,270 44
11 new catch-basins and drop-inlets built and 75 repaired					4,611 05
					\$40,881 49

South Boston.—*Concluded.**Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.*

LOCALITY.		Length in feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
A st.....	Congress st. and N. Y. & N. E. R.....	723.83	12-in., pipe.	
L st.....	East Seventh st. and East Eighth st.....	255.22	12-in., pipe.	
		979.05		

Roxbury.*Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.*

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Audubon road	Beacon st. and Brookline branch R. R.....	897.06	12-in., pipe.....		\$5,007 30
Beacon st.	Kenmore st. and Charlesgate west.....	50.00	15-in., pipe.....		122 13
Bickford st.....	Bromley park and Centre st...	332.75	12-in., pipe.....		641 88

Columbus av.	Centre st. and Pennyth st.	530.00	10-in., pipe.	Rebuilding. Cost shown under Stony-brook improvement	17,471 69
Dorchester - Brook sewer	Norfolk av. and George st.	541.00	8 ft. 6 in. X 8 ft., brick.	Rebuilding.....	1,233 78
Evergreen st.	Westerly from Day st.	442.85	12-in., pipe.....	Rebuilding.....	1,306 41
Flagg st.	Reed st. and Washington st.	275.85	10-in., pipe.....	.....	3,248 25
Gerard st.	Massachusetts av. and Norfolk av.	106.59	15-in., pipe.....	.....	14,197 62
Shawmut av., Roxbury st. and Guild row	{ Vernon st. and Dudley st.	823.00	3 ft. 6 in. X 5 ft. 6 in., brick.	{ Rebuilding.....	
Hoffman st. and private land	{ Lanartine st. and Stony-brook valley	16.00	2 ft. 2 in. X 3 ft. 3 in., brick.	{ Built in 1895.....	136 20
Heath st.	Day st. and Lawn st.	402.40	12-in., pipe.....	Built in 1895.....	193 85
Kearsarge av.	Warren st. and Winthrop st.	243.96	12-in., pipe.....	Much rock.....	2,841 90
Munroe st.	Walnut av. and existing sewer, Albany st. and Fellows st.	278.70	2 ft. 6 in. X 3 ft., brick	{ Rebuilding.....	2,777 16
Northampton st. ..	{ Columbus av.	7.72	20-in., pipe.....		9,467 40
Old Heath st. and Parker st.	{ and New Heath st.	729.15	3 ft. X 3 ft. 2 1/2 in., brick.		7,950 91
Ward st.	Halleck st. and N. Y., N. H. & H. R. R.	180.48	24-in., pipe.....	Rebuilding.....	1,402 98
Wensley st.	New Heath st. & Bickford av., Shawmut av. and passageway, Existing sewer and Amory st.,	275.08	18-in., pipe.....	.....	2,743 37
Willow park		434.92	12-in., pipe.....	.....	565 01
West Roxbury low-level sewer		264.98	10-in., pipe.....	.....	4,585 75
		340.50	10-in., pipe.....		
		22.00	10-in., iron pipe.....		
		159.00	2 ft. X 3 ft. 6 in., brick.		

Roxbury. — Concluded.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, under Chapter 323 of the Acts of 1891, as amended by Chapter 418 of the Acts of 1892, or Special Acts referring thereto.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Audubon road	Beacon st. and Ivy st.....	<div>6.00</div> <div>242.05</div> <div>21.55</div> <div>61.00</div>	<div>18-in., pipe, sewer.</div> <div>12-in., pipe, sewer.</div> <div>10-in., pipe, C.B. drain.</div> <div>8-in., pipe, house drain.</div> <div>2 catch-basins.</div>	Contract.....	\$631 13
Abbottsford st.....	Walnut av. and Harold st.....	796.78	2 ft. 8 in. X 3 ft. 6 in., brick sewer.	Built in 1895.....	179 85
		19.67	16 in., iron pipe, sewer, in tide-gate manhole, and connection.	Piles.	
		15.85			
Boylston st.....	Brookline av. and Back Bay Fens.....	<div>17.10</div> <div>618.30</div> <div>789.90</div> <div>263.50</div> <div>219.00</div> <div>515.10</div>	<div>30-in., pipe, C.B. drain.</div> <div>24-in., pipe, C.B. drain.</div> <div>18-in., pipe, C.B. drain.</div> <div>15-in., pipe, C.B. drain.</div> <div>12-in., pipe, C.B. drain.</div> <div>10-in., pipe, C.B. drain.</div> <div>13 catch-basin.</div> <div>11 drop inlets.</div>	Contract.....	21,464 02
Bay State road ...	Sherborn st. and Granby st....			Built in 1895.....	119 36

Fullerton st.....	Brookline av. and Fairhaven st.....	.....	Just begun, no measurement taken.....	85 20
Granby st.....	Commonwealth av. and Charles river.....	.....	Built in 1895.....	14 26
Ruggles st.....	Parker st. and Back Bay Fens	756.00 2 ft. 6 in. X 3 ft., brick sewer.	Piles. Contract.....	5,218 93
St. Alphonsus st...	Tremont st. and Calumet st...	.....	Built in 1895.....	618 16
Vancouver st.....	Ruggles st. and Huntington av.....	.....	Just begun, no measurement taken.....	159 33
<i>Boulevards.</i>				
Columbus av., Sect. 1.....	Northampton st. and Franklin Park.....	4.00 200.00 240.00 .80 43.65 229.35 27.50 256.85	10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 2 drop inlets. 15-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 2 ft. 6 in. X 3 ft., brick sewer. 18-in., pipe sewer. 15-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 12-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 10-in., pipe, C. B. drain 10 catch basins. 3 drop inlets.	Contract..... Day labor. Rebuilding. Contract.....
Columbus av., Sect. 2.....	Northampton st. and Franklin Park.....			\$2,816 55 7,832 24

Boulevards.

LOCALITY.		Length in feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Columbus av., Sect. 3	Northampton st. and Franklin Park	278.50	3 ft. 6 in. X 3 ft. 8½ in., brick sewer	Piles.	\$16,895 19
		267.75	2 ft. 6 in., X 3 ft. brick sewer		
	Connection with intercepting sewer in Linden Park st....	10.80 11.20	3 ft. circular brick sewer. 3 ft. 6 in. X 4 ft. 4 in., brick sewer.		
		173.27	24-in., C.B. drain.	Contract.....	
		853.50	18-in., pipe, sewer.		
		173.27	18-in., pipe, sewer.		
		493.40	15-in., pipe, sewer.		
		172.87	15-in., pipe, C.B. drain.		
		1,338.49	12-in., pipe, sewer.		
	Outlet through Terry st.	25.06	12-in., iron pipe.		
		308.73	12-in., pipe, C.B. drain.		
		339.50	10-in., pipe, C.B. drain.		
	15.86	8-in., pipe, house drain.			
	61.75	6-in., pipe, house drain.			
		13 catch basins.			
		3 drop inlets.			
	708.00	Concreting invert in old conduit.	Converted into West Roxbury low level sewer.		

Columbus av., Sect. 8.....	Northampton st. and Franklin Park.....	239.00	3 ft. 6 in. X 4 ft. 10 in., brick sewer.	Contract, much rock...	\$3,750 42
		316.00	2 ft. 4 in. X 3 ft. 6 in., brick sewer.		
		1,085.00	12-in., pipe sewer.		
		5.00	10-in., pipe, C. B. drain.		
Columbus av., Sect. 9.....	Northampton st. and Franklin Park.....	39.00	6-in., pipe, house drain.	Built by day labor.....	3,654 56
			1 catch-basin.		
		6.00	10-in., pipe, C. B. drain.		
		22.00	8-in., pipe, house drain.		
Huntington av.....	Sect. 1.....	261.00	8-in., pipe, house drain.	Built by day labor.....	9,702 27
" "	" 2.....				
" "	" 3.....				
" "	" 4.....				
" "	" 5.....				760 82
" "	" 6.....				
					90 91
					1,540 97
50 new catch-basins and drop-inlets built and 25 repaired.....					\$152,272 20
					6,724 08
					\$158,996 28

Surface drains built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions in Material.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
Stony brook.....	Stony brook gate-house and Centre street.....	1,180.00	15 ft. 6 in. X 17 ft., brick	

Roxbury. — *Concluded.**Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.*

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
Bynner st.....	Jamaica Way and Day st.....	980.00	10-in., pipe.	Part rebuilding.
Calumet st.....	Hillside st. and Parker Hill av.	535.23	12-in., pipe.	
		683.30	10-in., pipe.	
		244.39	18-in., pipe.	
Centre st.....	Amory st. and Wise st.....	262.62	12-in., pipe.	Part rebuilding.
Harold-st. exten...	Walnut av. and Munroe st....	461.00	12-in., pipe.	
Lamarine st.....	Southerly from Centre st....	180.56	12-in., pipe.	
Langdon st.....	Norfolk av. and George st....	597.65	18-in., pipe.	
Passageway	West of Parker st. near Boyl- ton st.....	51.28	12-in., pipe.	
Plant av.....	Parker st. and Bickford st....	169.02	12-in., pipe	
Private land.....	Hillside st. and Calumet st....	239.00	10-in., pipe.	
Roswell st.....	Shirley st. and Langdon st....	175.38	12-in., pipe.	
Surface drains built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.				
Bynner st.....	Jamaicaway and Day st.....	940.00	15-in., pipe.	
		268.15	10-in., pipe.	

West Roxbury.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Angell st.	Blue Hill av. and Canterbury st.	937.40	12-in., pipe.....	.....	\$1,355 84
Beech st.	Anawan and Newburg sts.	200.45	15-in., pipe.....	.....	2,988 68
Birch st.	Corinth and South sts.	{ 1,445.99	12-in., pipe.....	.....	496 01
Bourne and Walk Hill sts.		275.15	12-in., pipe.....	.....
Centre st. and Louder's lane.	Patten st. and Hyde Park av. Existing sewer to summit in Louder's lane.	578.00	15-in., pipe.....	.....	4,600 73
Centre st.	Boylston st. and Boylston ter.	499.08	12-in., pipe.....	.....	1,384 91
Centre st.	Robinson st. & Lochsted st.	349.90	12-in., pipe.....	.....	3,592 91
Corey st.	Pomfret and Montview sts.	182.00	15-in., pipe.....	85.80 cu. yds., ledge	1,842 42
Corey st.	Centre st. and 325 ft. westerly.	591.75	12-in., pipe.....	.....	1,522 27
Corey st.	Existing sewer and Wyman st.	326.88	12-in., pipe.....	.....	1,257 25
Danforth st.		283.71	12-in., pipe.....	.....	1,183 85
Franklin pl.	Franklin pl. & Hyde Park av.				
Private land.					
Hyde Park av.	Hyde Park av. & Florence st.				
Private land.					
Florence st.	Florence st. and Bourne st.	5,190.90	15-in., pipe.....	.....	22,763 34
Private land.	To Canterbury st.	862.90	12-in., pipe.....	.....
Bourne st.	Bourne st. & Walk Hill st.				
Canterbury st.	About 1,400 feet southerly..				
Walk Hill st.					

West Roxbury.—Continued.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896 and Feb. 1, 1897 by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Hyde Park av.	Walk Hill st. & 1,040 ft. so'ly,	1,040 94	12-in., pipe .....	.....	2,345 48
Hewlett st.	Walter and Centre sts. ....	.....	.....	Built in 1895.	316 64
Jamaicaway	Castleton and Perkins sts.	282.27	12-in., pipe .....	.....	2,728 26
Jamaicaway	Perkins and Pond sts. ....	.....	.....	Built in 1895.	125 77
Kirk st. and Montview st. ....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Landseer st.	Bellevue and Lagrange sts .....	.....	.....	Built in 1895.	558 03
Lamarine pl.	Off Lamarine st.	105.86	12-in., pipe	Built in 1895.	80 64
Montview st.	Corey st. to Kirk st.	356.40	12-in., pipe .....	.....	219 39
Private land, Mozart, Selwyn, and Arundel sts.	Hewlett and Walter sts. and Centre st.	967.00	18-in., pipe .....	.....	926 95
Sedgwick st.	Outlet and 120 ft. easterly.	118.47	12-in., pipe .....	.....	5,688 99
Wheaton sq.	Off Lamarine st.	29.00	18-in., pipe .....	.....	207 25
Willow st.	Weld st. and 750 ft. southerly.	.....	.....	Built in 1895.	359 64
		14,624.23	.....	.....	84 28
12 new catch-basins and drop-inlets built and 25 repaired					\$57,259 53
					1,434 74
					\$58,694 27

Surface Drains built between Feb. 1, 1896 and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
Bourne st. and Walk Hill st.....	Patten st. and Hyde Park av. Stony brook and Forest Hills st.	259.87	15-in., pipe.	
Cornwall st. and Washington st...		84.30	12-in., pipe.	
		248.17	30-in., pipe.	
		719.65	24-in., pipe.	
<i>Surface Drains built between Feb. 1, 1896 and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.</i>				
Eldridge road.....	Hyde Park av. and Nathan road.....	411.25	20 in. X 30 in., brick.	
		118.75	12-in., pipe.	
		50.00	15-in., pipe.	
Hampsted road....	South st. and Parkway.....	376.00	12-in., pipe.	
		32.00	10-in., pipe.	
Nathan road.....	Eldridge road and Patten st..	573.08	20-in., pipe.	
Patten st.....	Bourne st. and Hyde Park av.	471.35	12-in., pipe.	
Road No. 8.....	Eldridge road and 150 ft. southerly.....	100.00	12-in., pipe.	
Wachusett st.....	Eldridge road and Walk Hill st.....	542.45	12-in., pipe.	

West Roxbury.—Concluded.
Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.

LOCALITY		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
Aldrich st.....	Beech st. and about 350 ft. northeasterly.	333.85	12-in., pipe.	
Aldworth st.....	Centre st. and Vane st.....	814.48	12-in., pipe.	
Barbara st.....	Off Centre st.....	359.48	12-in., pipe.	
Crest st.....	Kirk st. and Mt. Vernon st....	431.42	12-in., pipe.	
Colburg av.....	Beech st. and Montello st.....	521.10	12-in., pipe.	
Eldridge road.....	Hyde Park av. and Nathan road.....	597.62	12-in., pipe.	
Hampsted road ...	South st. and Parkway.....	1,056.00	8-in., pipe.	
Houston st.....	Montview st. and Crest st....	272.85	12-in., pipe.	
Keyes st.	Washington st. and Stony Brook.....	223.60	6-in., pipe.	
Lorraine st.....	Colberg av. and 275 feet northerly.....	275.22	12-in., pipe.	
Lochstead av.....	Centre st. toward Spring st....	54.91	12-in., pipe.	
Nathan road.....	Eldridge road and Patten st....	462.79	12-in., pipe.	
Patten st.....	Bourne st. and Hyde Park av..	471.35	12-in., pipe.	
Road No. 8.....	Eldridge road and 150 feet southerly.....	125.20	12-in., pipe.	
Rodman st.....	Wachusett st. and Patten st....	608.78	12-in., pipe.	
Wachusett st.....	Eldridge road and Walk Hill st.	542.45	12-in., pipe.	

Culverts built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.

Hyde Park av.	At Eldridge road	55.80	{ 4 ft. 6 in × 5 ft., stone culvert, with brick arch.
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Dorchester.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Adams st.	King st. and Lonsdale st.	116.23	30-in. × 36-in., brick.	Some rock.	\$2,849 93
Bowdoin st.	Quincy st., about 150 ft. southerly	185.20	12-in., pipe.	.....	633 48
Chapman av.	Lyons st and private land	33.40	24-in., brick.	.....
Private land	Chapman av. and Lauriat av.	674.00	24-in., pipe.	All rock	23,707 61
Dorchester av.	Washington st. and Richmond st.	909.84	24-in., pipe.	.....
Lawrence av.	Existing sewers	44.00	18-in., pipe.	.....
Lyons st.	Chapman av. and Franklin Field	640.41	12-in., pipe.	All rock.	4,409 31
Franklin Field	Lyons st. and Talbot av.	107.85	12-in., pipe.	Much rock.	392 66
Forest av., trunk sewer, Sect. 2, in Norfolk st. ....	.....	1,109.36	30-in., Akron pipe.	.....
Private land .....	.....	38.63	30-in., iron pipe.	.....
Morton st. ....	.....	36.73	30-in., brick.	Some rock.	11,140 99
	Ballou av. and Private pl. ....			.....
	Norfolk st. and Morton and Evans st.	292.00	15-in., pipe.	Much rock.	1,586 20
	Evans st. and Selden st. ....			.....

Dorchester.—*Continued.*
Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or by Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Parkway.....	Pond st. and Dorchester av....	430.97	12-in., pipe.....	.....	\$2,437 72
Private land.....	Lawrence av. and Stanwood st.	{ 1,300.00	15-in., pipe.....	.....	10,170 49
		{ 48.00	12-in., pipe.....	.....
Robinson st.....	Adams st. and Draper st.....	.....	.....	Built in 1895.....	309 29
Rosemont st.....	Dorchester av. and Samoset st.....	.....	.....	Built in 1895.....	404 36
Richmond st.....	Dorchester av. and Wash- ington st.....	{ 256.63	12-in., pipe.....	All rock.....	1,708 73
		{ 28.00	8-in., pipe.....	Just begun; no measure- ment taken.....	1,018 94
Shamrock st., outlet	Freeport st. and tide water....	.....	.....	.....
Shawmut Park, pro- posed extension.	Lonsdale st. and Templeton st.	{ 392.89	18-in., pipe.....	.....	6,069 61
		{ 198.50	12-in., pipe.....	.....
Edwin st.....	Adams st. and Dorchester av....	1,237.99	12-in., pipe.....	.....
Templeton st.....	Adams st. and existing sewer.	{ 432.05	15-in., pipe.....	.....
		{ 1,167.38	12-in., pipe.....	.....
Stoughton st.....	Salcombe st. and Sumner st....	620.04	12-in., pipe.....	.....	929 21
<i>Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.</i>					
Washington st.....	Dorchester intercepting sewer and Miller's lane.....	453.60	12-in., pipe.....	Considerable rock.....	\$1,261 26
Washington st.....	{ Dorchester Lower Mills, main sewer and Fair- mount st.....	{ 442.49 1,279.59	{ 15-in., pipe 12-in., pipe	{ Very much rock.....	{ 4,418 75
Forest av., trunk sewer, Sect. 1, in Willowwood st..	Lauriat av. and Ballou av....	{ 865.49 936.00	{ 18-in., pipe 15-in., pipe	{ Very much rock.....	{ 4,679 41
Ballou av.....	Willowwood st and Norfolk st.	158.00	15-in., pipe.....	.....

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, under Chapter 323 of the Acts of 1891, as amended by Chapter 418 of the Acts of 1892, or Special Acts referring thereto.

Chamberlain st....	Harvard st. and Algonquin st.....	148.15 403.00 64.00	12-in., pipe sewer. 6-in., pipe, house drain. 10-in., C. B. drain. 5 catch-basins.	Contract.	\$910 77
Fenelon st.....	Merrill st. and Washington st.....	36.68 180.00 36.50	12-in., pipe sewer. 6-in., pipe, house drain. 10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 3 catch-basins.	Contract.	648 78
Gaylord st.....	Washington st. and Chamberlain st.....	324.60 403.00 38.00	12-in., pipe sewer. 6-in., pipe, house drain. 10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 2 catch-basins.	Contract.	927 93
Geneva av.....	{ Park st. and Dorchester av.	421.34 621.00	12-in., pipe sewer. 6-in., pipe, house drain.	Contract.	4,597 48
Park st.....	{ Dorchester av. and Geneva av.....	244 60 170.14	15-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 12-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 3 catch-basins.	Contract.	
Greenbrier st.....	Bloomfield st. and Bowdoin st.....	33.75 35.00 146.50	12-in., pipe sewer. 6-in., pipe, house drain. 10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 7 catch-basins.	Some rock. Contract.	1,674 01

Dorchester. — *Continued.*

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, under Chapter 323 of the Acts of 1891, as amended by Chapter 418 of the Acts of 1892, or Special Acts referring thereto.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Blue Hill av.	Section Eight (8)	1,327.91	12-in., pipe sewer.	Built in 1895.	\$104 63
Blue Hill av.	Section Nine (9)	283.46	12-in., pipe, C. B. drain.	Contract.	1,832 69
		58.68	10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 2 catch-basins. 2 drop-inlets.		
Blue Hill av.	Section Ten (10)			Built in 1895.	4,359 27
Blue Hill av.	Section Eleven (11)			Built in 1895.	180 66
Blue Hill av.	Section Twelve (12)	1,934.77	12-in., pipe, sewer.	Built in 1895.	214 91
Blue Hill av.	Section Thirteen (13)	40.52	20-in., pipe, C. B. drain.	Contract. Very much rock.	5,202 88
		400.80	18-in., pipe, C. B. drain.		
		457.90	15-in., pipe, C. B. drain.		
		266.42	12-in., pipe, C. B. drain.		
Blue Hill av.	Section Fourteen (14)	167.65	10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 8 catch-basins. 5 drop-inlets.	Contract. Very much rock.	3,384 13
		944.88	12-in., pipe, sewer.		
		313.20	18-in., pipe, C. B. drain.		
		78.55	15-in., pipe, C. B. drain.		
		25.43	12-in., pipe, C. B. drain.		
Blue Hill av.		69 21	10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 2 catch-basins. 2 drop-inlets.		

Blue Hill av.....	Section Fifteen (15).....	143.10 429.06 845.15 136.40 447.05 162.63	18-in., pipe, sewer. 15-in., pipe, sewer. 12-in., pipe, sewer. 15-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 12-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 6 catch-basins. 2 drop-inlets.	Contract. All rock.....	6,756 81
Blue Hill av.....	Section Sixteen (16).....	362.77 422.10 136.35	18-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 15-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 2 catch-basins. 4 drop-inlets. 30-in., pipe, culvert.	Contract.....	3,197 23
		39,822.97			
					\$153,260 69
34 new catch-basins and drop-inlets built and 19 repaired.....					4,612 00
					\$157,872 69

Dorchester.—*Continued.*

Surface Drains built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
Columbia st.....	New Seaver st. and Hewins st.	137.00	24-in., pipe.	
New Seaver st.....	Blue Hill av. and Columbia st.	712.70	24-in., pipe.	
Dorchester av.	Washington st. and Richmond st.....	308.11	15-in., pipe.	
		245.13	12-in., pipe.	
		395.00	15-in., pipe.	
Edwin st.....	Adams st. and Dorchester av..	98.30	12-in., pipe.	
Templeton st.....	Adams st. and existing sewer.	315.00	15-in., pipe.	
Private land.....	Lawrence av. and Stanwood st.	212.00	12-in., pipe.	
Richmond st.....	Dorchester av. and Washington st.....	871.00	4 ft. 6-in., circular brick.	
		114.00	4 ft., circular brick.	
		221.56	12-in., pipe.	
<i>Culverts built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.</i>				
Centre st.....	About 230 ft. west of Adams st.	61.50	6 ft. × 5 ft. 6 in., stone.	
Charles st.....	Ditson st. and Geneva av.	39.90	4 ft. × 6 ft. 6 in., concrete.	
Dix st.....	Adams st. and Dorchester av..	23.00	6 ft. × 7 ft., stone.	
Morton st.	Selden st. and N. E. R. R.	18.10	6 ft. × 6 ft., stone.	
Parkman st.....	Adams st. and Dorchester av..	45.00	18-in., pipe.	
		23.42	6 ft. × 7 ft. 2½ in., stone.	
		18.08	6 ft. × 6 ft., stone.	
		229.00		

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.

Atherstone st.	Fuller st. and Bailey st.	295.32	10-in., pipe.
Barry-st. ext.	Clarkson st. and Barry st.	469.72	12-in., pipe.
Clarkson st.	Barrington st. and Barry-st. ex.	571.85	12-in., pipe.
Becket st.	Codman st. and Van Winkle st.	339.56	12-in., pipe.
Castle Rock st.	Gramplan Way and Woodland av.	1,103.57	12-in., pipe.
Devon st.	Columbia st. and Cheever Newhall estate.	664.70	12-in., pipe.
Edison Green	Dorchester av. and Pond st.	1,284.12	12-in., pipe.
Farmount st.	Washington st and Milton av.	202.46	12-in., pipe.
Gibson-st. ext.	Brook-st. intercepting sewer and Adams st.	816.00	12-in., pipe.
Greenbrier st.	Bloomfield st. and Park st.	135.35	12-in., pipe.
Half Moon st.	Magnolia st. and Hooper av.	323.09	12-in., pipe.
Holiday st.	Geneva av. and Topliff st.	27.50	10-in., pipe.
Hooper av.	Magnolia st. and Hartford st.	499.38	12-in., pipe.
Kerwin st.	Talbot av. and Bernard st.	575.50	12-in., pipe.
Learned st.	Norfolk st. and Torrey st.	599.50	12-in., pipe.
May st.	Greenwood st. and Glenway st.	305.95	12-in., pipe.
Montrie av.	Seaborn st. and Allston st.	328.32	12-in., pipe.
Phipps av.	Existing intercepter, 250 ft. easterly.	249.75	12-in., pipe.
Ramsey st.	Hamlet st. and Dudley st.	318.20	12-in., pipe.
Russell park.	Corona st. and Westville st.	185.65	12-in., pipe.
Shepton st.	Shawmut park and Denver st.	656.50	12-in., pipe.
Spencer st.	Wheatland av. and Talbot av.	424.70	12-in., pipe.
Stanley-st. ext.	Bellevue st. and Quincy st.	247.30	12-in., pipe.

Dorchester. — *Concluded.**Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.*

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
Thacher road.....	Stoughton st. and Cushing av.....	775.88	12-in., pipe.	
Uplam st.....	Hancock st. and Cushing av.....	298.10	10-in., pipe.	
Wilmington av.....	Nevada st. and Milton av.....	624.27	12-in., pipe.	
Milton av.....	Wilmington av. and Fairmount st.....	276.10	12-in., pipe.	

Surface Drains built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.

Greenbrier st.....	Bloomfield st. and Park st.....	{ 237.17 564.83 }	{ 15-in., pipe. 12-in., pipe.	
Ponemah st.....	Blue Hill av. and Duke st.....	{ 80.70 25.20 }	{ 10-in., pipe. 12-in., pipe.	
Ormond st.....	Ponemah st. and Duke st.....	{ 70.45 51.10 }	{ 10-in., pipe. 10-in., pipe.	
		1,029.45		

Brighton.

Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Allston square....	Commonwealth av. and Allston st.....	222.60	12-in., pipe.	150 cubic yards ledge...	\$3,233 15
Cambridge st.....	Cambridge terrace and Allston Heights.....	725.57	10-in., pipe.		
Cambridge st.....	Eleanor st. and Dustin st.....	168.90	12-in., pipe.	161 cubic yards ledge...	814 93
Eina st.....	North Beacon st. and Elmira st.....	659.40	12-in., pipe.	206 cubic yards ledge...	1,624 35
Elmira st.....	Market st. and Murdock st.....	970.20	12-in., pipe.	Built in 1895.....	2,372 12
Everett st.....	Existing sewer and North Beacon st.....				613 58
Hobart st.....	Brooks st. and Summit st.....	185.10	10-in., pipe.	Contract	787 40
Hobart st.....	Faneuil st. and Summit st.....	350.01	12-in., pipe.	Contract	
Holton st.....	Everett st. and Athol st.....	817.56	12-in., pipe.		4,082 77
		261.23	15-in., pipe.	Contract	
		475.00	12-in., pipe.	Contract	876 70
Holmes av.....	Harvard av. and Warren st.....	650.42	18-in., pipe.		
		794.89	15-in., pipe.		6,989 80
		378.20	10-in., pipe.		
Mt. Vernon av.....	Rockland st. and end of av.....	420.90	12-in., pipe.	Contract	2,119 37
Murdock st.....	Sparhawk st. and Cambridge st.....	177.18	12-in., pipe.		348 79
		514.25	24-in., pipe.		
North Harvard st..	Western av. and Charles river,	1,035.05	18-in., pipe.		12,164 17
		349.79	15-in., pipe.		
North Harvard st..	Coolidge road and Hopedale st.	700.03	12-in., pipe.	Contract.....	1,379 12
Private land and Newton st.....	Parkman st., Brooks st. and Bigelow st.....	347.97	15-in., pipe.	Rebuilding.	
		152.25	12-in., pipe.		
		297.00	20-in., double thick pipe.		
		199.58	18-in., pipe.		4,009 40
		525.42	15-in., pipe.		
		245.00	12-in., pipe.		

Brighton.—*Continued.*

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.	Expenditure during the fiscal year 1896-97.
Built in	Between				
Private land, Parkman, Brooks and Bigelow sts.....	Metropolitan main sewer and Webster st.....	124.82 757.21 870.51 395.74	2 ft. 4 in. × 3 ft. 6 in., brick. 20-in., pipe. 18-in., pipe. 12-in., pipe.	..... ..... ..... .....	\$13,801 80
Rockland st.....	Mt. Vernon st. and Mt. Vernon av.....	289.49	12-in., pipe.	Contract.....	2,019 01
Rockland st.....	Mt. Vernon av. and Jackson st.....	45.00	12-in., pipe.	Contract.....	23 31
School st.....	Market st. and Portsmouth st., 18 th west of Everett st. and Waverley st.....	574.96 682.10 280.53 279.38	12-in., pipe. 3 ft. × 3 ft. 2 in., brick. 2 ft. 6 in., circular brick. 15-in., pipe.	..... ..... ..... Built in 1895.....	1,156 62 6,675 81 1,041 26
Washington st....	Oak sq. and Newton line....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, under Chapter 323 of the Acts of 1891, as amended by Chapter 418 of the Acts of 1892, or Special Acts referring thereto.</i>					
Brighton av., Sect. 1.....	.....	.....	.....	Built in 1895.	\$115 86
Brighton av., Sect. 2.....	.....	.....	.....	Built in 1895.	115 71
Chestnut Hill av....	Beacon st. and Commonwealth av.....	315.00 481.00	10-in., pipe sewer. 18-in., pipe, C. B. drain.	Outlet for Commonwealth av., Sects 1 and 2. Contract.....	2,890 92

Commonwealth av., Sect. 1.....	.....	.....	.....	303 27
Commonwealth av., Sect. 2, north side.....	Chestnut Hill av. and Newton line.....	8.81	10-in., pipe sewer.	1,030 69
Commonwealth av., Sect. 2, south side.....	.....	.....	.....	25 46
Commonwealth av., Sect. 3.....	Chestnut Hill av. and Newton line.....	548.37	10-in., pipe sewer.	1,809 18
Commonwealth av., Sect. 4.....	.....	.....	.....	152 81
Commonwealth av., Sect. 5.....	Chestnut Hill av. and Newton line.....	{ 487.63 77.50 199.00 }	{ 10-in., pipe sewer. 10-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 12-in., pipe, C. B. drain. 2 catch-basins. 2 drop-inlets. }	2,583 91
Commonwealth av., Sect. 6.....	.....	.....	.....	12 09
Commonwealth av., Sect. 7.....	Chestnut Hill av. and Newton line.....	278.50	10-in., pipe sewer.	1,305 04
Commonwealth av., Sect. 8.....	.....	.....	.....	43 76
Commonwealth av., outlet in private land.....	Lake st. and Commonwealth av.....	{ 130.00 60.00 }	{ 2 ft. 6 in., circular brick. 18-in., pipe. }	188 91
Harvard av.....	Commonwealth av. and Brook- line line.....	.....	Built in 1895.....	139 96
14 new catch-basins and drop-inlets built and 51 repaired.....				\$76,851 03
				1,609 89
				\$78,460 92

Brighton.—*Concluded.**Surface Drains built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.*

LOCALITY.		Length in Feet.	Dimensions and Material.	Remarks.
Built in	Between			
Allston sq.....	Across Commonwealth-av. outlet, for Allston sq., surface drain.....	159.57	15-in., pipe.	
Hobart st.....	Faneuil st. and Brooks st.....	388.59	18-in., pipe.	
		396.85	12-in., pipe.	
		52.00	10-in., pipe.	
Holmes av.....	Harvard av. and Warren st....	250.00	18-in., pipe.	
		600.00	12-in., pipe.	
North Harvard st..	Western av. and Charles river.	1,449.34	24-in., pipe.	
North Harvard st..	Western av. and Spurr st.....	498.40	18-in., pipe.	
		161.95	18-in., pipe.	

Culverts built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by the City, either by Contract or Day Labor.

Holmes av.....	Harvard av. and Warren st....	55.85 50.05 64.32	5 ft. × 6 ft., concrete cul-vert..... 5 ft. 4 in. × 3 ft. 4 in., concrete culvert. 18-in., pipe culvert.....
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Sewers built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.

			Rebuilt by Metropolitan Water Board.
Commonwealth av.,	St. Paul st. and 235 ft. easterly,	235.12	12-in., pipe.
Cypress road.....	Etna st. and George st.....	233.47	12-in., pipe.
Griggs pl.....	Webster av. and Allston st....	413.32	12-in., pipe.
Strathmore road	Beacon st. and Sutherland	188.14	12-in., pipe.
and Orkney road	road.....	591.69	10-in., pipe.
Webster av.....	Griggs pl. and Webster st....	126.10	12-in., pipe.

Surface Drains built between Feb. 1, 1896, and Feb. 1, 1897, by Private Parties.

Orkney road.....	Strathmore road and Sutherland road.....	281.00	10-in., pipe.
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Work done for and paid by Paving Division, including the following class of work. Building and repairing culverts, surface drains, catch-basins and sewers.

Commonwealth avenue	\$226 92
Congress and L streets	7,608 17
McLellan street	772 90
Talbot avenue	107 34
Street Improvements, Ward 1	1,653 97
“ “ “ 2	869 67
“ “ “ 3, old	615 24
“ “ “ 3, new	556 29
“ “ “ 4, new	2,821 71
“ “ “ 5, new	678 53
“ “ “ 6	289 47
“ “ “ 7	879 77
“ “ “ 8	382 05
“ “ “ 9	912 21
“ “ “ 10	1,024 82
“ “ “ 11	752 37
“ “ “ 12, new	408 90
“ “ “ 13, old	241 60
“ “ “ 14	797 14
“ “ Wards 14 and 15	5,310 32
“ “ Ward 16, new	1,716 59
“ “ “ 17	1,609 32
“ “ “ 18	920 49
“ “ “ 19	1,500 20
“ “ “ 20, old	301 51
“ “ “ 20, new	1,202 14
“ “ “ 21	1,262 36
“ “ “ 22	811 96
“ “ “ 23	2,341 56
“ “ “ 24, old	1,824 38
“ “ “ 24, new	7,904 94
“ “ “ 25	500 00

\$48,804 84

RECAPITULATION.

NEW SEWERS.

South Boston	\$36,270 44
East Boston	28,322 79
Charlestown	6,772 40
Brighton	76,851 03
West Roxbury	57,259 53
Dorchester	153,260 69
Roxbury	152,272 20
City Proper	72,178 01
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	\$583,187 09

Carried forward \$583,187 09

Brought forward \$583,187 09

CATCH-BASINS.

South Boston	\$4,611 05	
East Boston	2,438 36	
Charlestown	3,345 62	
Brighton	1,609 89	
West Roxbury	1,434 74	
Dorchester	4,612 00	
Roxbury	6,724 08	
City Proper	6,085 48	
		30,861 22
Improved Sewerage Maintenance		103,439 38
Pumping Station, Chapman avenue		14,176 17
Stony Brook, Maintenance		16,900 16
Stony Brook Construction		98,209 21
Miscellaneous		228,027 13
		<u>\$1,074,800 36</u>

**Summary of Sewer Construction for the Twelve Months
ending Jan. 31, 1897.**

DISTRICT.	Built by the City by Con- tract or Day Labor.	Built by Private Parties.	Total length built during the 12 months ending Jan. 31, 1897.
	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>
City	6,145.24	5,536.68	11,681.92
East Boston.....	2,997.41	.....	2,997.41
Charlestown	1,029.88	.....	1,029.88
South Boston	2,897.55	979.05	3,876.60
Roxbury	21,083.43	5,787.58	26,871.01
West Roxbury	15,936.22	9,825.98	25,762.20
Dorchester	43,452.77	13,627.79	57,080.56
Brighton	22,465.75	2,068.84	24,534.59
Total.....	116,008.25	37,825.92	153,734.17

122 catch-basins, built by contract.
 50 drop inlets, built by contract.
 168 catch-basins, built by day labor.
 381 catch-basins, repaired by day labor.
 6 drop inlets, built by day labor.
 16 manholes built,
 262 manholes repaired.
 557,311 linear feet sewers flushed.
 423.55 cubic yards material removed from sewers.

6,041 catch-basins cleaned.

20,327 $\frac{1}{4}$ cubic yards material removed from catch-basins.

474 feet culverts built.

There are now 444.47 miles of sewers in charge of the Sewer Division.

The amount expended by this division during the twelve months ending Jan. 31, 1897, including the amount spent under special appropriations, was \$1,074,800.36.

Schedule of Sewers built to date in the City of Boston.

DISTRICTS.	Total length built during 12 months ending Jan. 31, 1897.	Length rebuilt during 12 months ending Jan. 31, 1897.	Additional length for 12 months ending Jan. 31, 1897.	
	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Feet.</i>	<i>Miles.</i>
City.....	11,681.92	5,997.00	5,684.92	1.08
East Boston	2,997.41	.....	2,997.41	.57
Charlestown.....	1,029.88	107.60	922.28	.17
South Boston.....	3,876.60	2,771.28	1,105.32	.21
Roxbury.....	26,871.01	3,434.73	23,436.28	4.44
West Roxbury.....	25,762.20	.....	25,762.20	4.88
Dorchester	57,080.56	.....	57,080.56	10.81
Brighton	24,534.49	235.12	24,299.47	4.60
Total.....	153,834.17	12,545.73	141,288.44	26.76
Length built previous to Jan. 31, 1896.....				393.52
Total.....				420.28
Length of Intercepting Sewer.....				24.11
Total.....				444.39

Rainfall. — Albany Street Yard.

DATE.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	January.
1.....	.54	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2.....53	.....	.....	.....	.60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3.....	3.64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4.....21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.40	.....	.....	.....	.....
5.....22	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.77
6.....	2.28	.62	.92	.....	.....
7.....	1.67	.30	.....	.....	.....	.67	.83	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
8.....77	.....	.....
9.....91	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1.02	.....
10.....	.27	.....	.....	.....	.40	.....	.....	2.81	.....	.....	.....	.....
11.....20	.....	.....
12.....38	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13.....
14.....49	.....	.37	.....	.....
15.....	1.15	.18	.....	.....	.41	.....	.....	.....
16.....29	.....	.....	.....	.....	.30	.....
17.....90	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
18.....21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.09	.....	.....	.28
19.....	.36	.....	.42	.40	.....	.....	.....	.53	.....	.....	.....	.....
20.....43	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.60	.....	.....	.....	.....
21.....11	.....	.18	.....	.....	.....	.40	.....	.67
22.....37	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
23.....06	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	.....
24.....22	.....	.93	.06	.....	.....
25.....41	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26.....13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.28	.....	.....
27.....
28.....12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
29.....45	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
30.....	1.05	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.70	.....	.....
31.....33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	2.84	6.91	1.53	1.42	2.58	2.01	1.65	7.11	2.05	3.70	1.49	1.72

NOTE. — Total inches for twelve months from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897, inclusive, 35.01.

Sewer Department—Pumping-Station.
Record of Pumping done from Feb. 1, 1896, to Jan. 31, 1897.

	ENGINE 1.		ENGINE 2.		ENGINE 3.		ENGINE 4.		Total gallons pumped.	Daily average gallons pumped.	Daily average pounds of coal used.	Per cent of ashes and clinkers.	Gallons pumped per pound of coal used.	Daily average lift in feet.	Daily average duty in ft. pounds coal used.	Rainfall.
	H. M.	Gallons pumped.	Pumping time.	Gallons pumped.	H. M.	Gallons pumped.	Pumping time.	Gallons pumped.								
1896.																
February.	467 15	600,179,571	215 50	251,312,087	688 16	908,940,341	633 15	992,721,621	2,903,153,620	100,108,746	43,076	8.7	2,324	35.6	69,182,155	3.98
March.	740 50	1,030,022,206	.....	.....	744 00	1,092,050,379	744 00	1,087,797,400	3,209,869,985	103,544,193	44,555	9.6	2,324	34.6	67,274,929	4.26
April.	82 37	109,060,107	263 08	318,073,889	713 10	1,010,121,988	714 15	998,404,533	2,435,660,517	81,188,684	34,747	11.1	2,336	35.2	68,754,419	1.38
May.	40 50	50,289,749	103 58	132,031,826	701 38	983,820,510	734 10	1,016,890,955	2,183,042,040	70,430,711	27,387	12.2	2,571	35.4	76,070,966	2.04
June.	118 05	162,855,295	16 55	19,711,028	693 05	954,017,864	711 50	1,004,844,275	2,131,428,462	71,047,615	26,763	11.7	2,655	34.8	77,293,452	2.83
July.	77 00	81,758,673	38 00	53,696,040	738 50	1,061,641,392	725 00	1,032,773,673	2,229,869,718	71,931,281	24,635	11.2	2,920	33.2	81,031,407	1.67
August.	11 00	13,844,469	48 00	71,529,366	744 00	1,085,906,486	737 30	1,072,631,227	2,243,911,548	72,386,511	22,422	11.7	3,227	34.2	83,003,629	2.26
Sept.	.....	.....	321 15	465,248,287	716 42	1,035,013,646	696 00	997,018,820	2,497,280,753	81,352,992	28,406	11.0	2,840	34.8	93,002,217	7.02
October.	130 55	185,335,522	153 40	242,800,987	738 30	1,083,996,512	702 30	1,016,823,782	2,628,956,803	81,234,043	24,958	10.9	3,255	34.9	87,171,537	3.04
Nov.	242 10	341,557,951	516 43	714,990,874	714 00	1,011,735,390	381 55	538,889,840	2,607,234,055	86,907,801	35,171	10.7	2,471	36.6	74,552,377	3.19
Dec.	11 20	13,733,602	281 25	395,313,431	721 56	1,016,418,399	711 31	985,707,073	2,411,172,505	77,779,701	26,636	11.4	2,914	37.0	88,552,129	0.90
1897.	112 20	122,833,427	270 04	368,739,696	730 20	1,027,325,659	734 50	1,007,845,648	2,526,743,830	81,507,768	29,140	10.5	2,797	35.1	83,375,629	1.40
Totals.	2,034 22	2,761,470,572	2,228 58	3,033,446,911	8,644 27	12,361,048,506	8,283 46	11,752,357,847	29,308,323,836	81,617,509	30,663	10.9	2,720	35.1	79,105,404	33.97

Pumping Station.

Record of sludge received and removed for twelve months ending Jan. 31, 1897.

	Received.	Removed.
February	412 cubic yards.	170 cubic yards.
March	374 " "	360 " "
April	416 " "	425 " "
May	683 " "	595 " "
June	545 " "	680 " "
July	721 " "	510 " "
August	829 " "	850 " "
September	417 " "	510 " "
October	653 " "	590 " "
November	635 " "	365 " "
December	297 " " " "
January	449 " " " "
Total	6,431	5,055

Sent down the harbor 360 cubic yards of filth hoist screenings from September 2 to December 9.

PROPERTY IN CHARGE OF THE SEWER DIVISION.

Sewer yard, with buildings, at 678 Albany street, South End.

Sewer yard, with building, on North Grove street, West End.

Sewer yard, on Gibson street, Dorchester, with buildings. This is Gibson School-fund land. The buildings were erected by the Sewer Department.

Small lot of land on Stony brook, corner of Centre street, Roxbury.

Gatehouse on Stony brook, Pynchon street, Roxbury, built in 1889.

Sewer yard, with buildings, on Rutherford avenue, Charlestown.

Sewer yard, with buildings, corner Paris and Marion streets, East Boston.

Sewer yard, with buildings on East Chester park, near Albany street, South End.

Sewer yard, with buildings, on Western avenue, Brighton.

Sewer yard, with buildings, on Revere street, West End.

Sewer yard, with buildings, H and Ninth streets, South Boston.

Sewer yard, with buildings, Childs and South streets, West Roxbury.

**Summary of Sewer Construction for Five Years previous to
Feb. 1, 1897.**

	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.
	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.	Feet.
Built by City by contract or day labor,	71,318.46	66,400.85	90,802.77	139,200.09	116,008.25
Built by private parties,	22,566.73	22,837.09	24,877.05	36,287.35	37,825.92
Total number of feet built,	93,885.19	89,237.94	115,679.82	175,487.44	153,834.17

DETAILS OF COST AND CONSTRUCTION

are given of the following sewers which have been constructed during the year at a cost exceeding two thousand dollars (\$2,000) each :

Adams, between King and Lonsdale Streets.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,440 76
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	658 75
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	249 60
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	138 30
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	27 09
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	149 00
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	60 07
Water	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	59 62
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	66 74

\$2,849 93

Size and Length of Sewer.

116.23 feet 30 in. × 36 in., brick.

Alford Street Connection with Metropolitan Sewer.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,700 52
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50 76
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	39 60
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18 23
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	80 40
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	223 00
Lumber	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	96 70
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	94 79
Water	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22 50
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	57 63

\$2,384 13

<i>Brought forward</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$13,850 25
Pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	12 96
Hire of machinery	.	.	.	.	.	.	745 70
Carpentry	.	.	.	.	.	.	498 75
W. S. Rendle, contractor	.	.	.	.	.	.	762 77
Advertising and printing	61 08
Miscellaneous	426 08
Gravel and filling	2,117 99
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							\$18,475 58
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Size and Length of Sewer.

480 feet 6 × 6 ft., circular brick.

Beach Street, between Harrison Avenue and Washington Street.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$3,065 93
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	545 35
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	143 00
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	83 60
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	6 00
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	611 00
Lumber	.	.	.	.	.	.	7 65
Drain pipe	8 67
Hire of machinery	242 01
Carpentry	30 07
Water	39 69
Miscellaneous	21 46
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							\$4,804 43
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Size and Length of Sewer.

396.90 feet, 2ft. 6 in. × 3 feet, brick.

Beech Street, between Anawan and Newburgh Streets.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,700 69
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	124 73
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	60 95
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	10 80
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	67 65
Teaming	155 00
Lumber	16 64
Drain pipe	638 23
Water	164 64
Miscellaneous	49 35
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							\$2,988 68
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Size and Length of Sewer.

200.45 feet 15 in., pipe.

1,445.99 feet 12 in., pipe.

Blue Hill Avenue, Sect. 1.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,019 58
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	223 15
Iron castings	251 68
Teaming	49 00
Drain Pipe	2,371 15
Stone	8 27
D. E. Lynch, contractor	7,580 43
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									<u>\$11,503 26</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

398.63 feet 24 in., pipe.

113.79 feet 18 in., pipe.

27 feet 15 in., pipe.

498.16 feet 12 in., pipe.

438 feet 6 in., pipe, house drain.

59.80 feet 18 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

112.20 feet 15 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

212.90 feet 12 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

141.80 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

14 catch-basins.

2 drop inlets.

1.42 feet 24 in., pipe culvert.

Blue Hill Avenue Sect. 2 and part Sect. 3

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$902 99
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	135 95
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	164 67
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26 50
Pipe	884 10
J. P. O'Connell, contractor	6,147 16
Advertising.	41 33
Miscellaneous	17 15
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									<u>\$8,319 85</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

1,092.50 feet 12 in., pipe.

116.60 feet 18 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

243 feet 15 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

154.70 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

596.20 feet 12 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

113 feet, pipe, culvert.

6 catch-basins.

2 drop inlets.

Blue Hill Avenue Sect. 7.

Labor	\$331 27
Cement	40 25
Iron castings	82 35
Teaming	10 00
Drain pipe	168 81
Advertising and printing	90 50
Stone	9 50
J. P. O'Connell, contractor	1,734 79

\$2,467 47

Size and Length of Sewer.

295.70 feet 12 in., pipe.
 287.16 feet 12 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 64.66 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 3 catch-basins.
 2 drop inlets.

Blue Hill Avenue, Sect. 10.

Labor	\$14 65
D. O'Connell, contractor	3,985 35
Miscellaneous	359 27

\$4,359 27

Built in 1895.

Blue Hill Avenue, Sect. 13.

Labor	\$408 35
Cement	80 50
Iron castings	123 95
Teaming	15 00
Drain pipes	1,116 60
Advertising and printing	111 29
T. H. Connelly, contractor	3,347 19

\$5,202 88

Size and Length of Sewer.

1,934.77 feet 12., pipe sewer.
 40.52 feet 20 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 400.80 feet 18 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 457.90 feet 15 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 266.42 feet 12 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 167.65 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 8 catch-basins.
 5 drop inlets.

Blue Hill Avenue, Sect. 14.

Labor	\$308 05
Cement	46 00
Iron castings	81 88
Teaming	2 25
Drain pipe	546 82
Advertising and printing	67 88
J. Dolan, contractor	2,331 25
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	\$3,384 13

Size and Length of Sewer.

944.88 feet 12 in., pipe sewer.
 78.55 feet 15 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 313.20 feet 18 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 25.43 feet 12 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 69.21 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 2 catch-basins.
 2 drop inlets.

Blue Hill Avenue, Sect. 15.

Labor	\$547 92
Cement	97 75
Iron castings	110 48
Teaming	5 00
Drain pipe	671 65
J. Dolan, contractor	5,242 41
Advertising and printing	81 60
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	\$6,756 81

Size and Length of Sewer.

143.10 feet 18 in., pipe.
 429.06 feet 15 in., pipe.
 845.15 feet 12 in., pipe.
 136.40 feet 15 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 447.05 feet 12 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 162.63 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 6 catch-basins.
 2 drop inlets.

Blue Hill Avenue, Sect. 16.

Labor	\$212 20
Cement	100 25
Iron castings	25 77
Teaming	5 00
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$343 22

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$343 22
Drain pipe	787 02
Advertising and printing	130 37
J. P. O'Connell, contractor	1,936 62
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Size and Length of Sewer.

362.77 feet 18 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

422.10 feet 15 in., pipe catch-basin drain.

136.35 feet 30 in., pipe culvert.

2 catch-basins.

4 drop inlets.

Border Street, near Decatur, connection with Metropolitan Sewer.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,242	47
Gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7	45
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	25	90
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	81	00
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	11	51
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	7	09
								<u>\$2,375</u>	<u>42</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

26 feet 15 in., pipe.

1 sump manhole.

1 regulator manhole.

1 overflow and tide-gate manhole.

Boylston Street, between Brookline Avenue and Back Bay Fens.

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Size and Length of Sewer.

17.10 feet 30 in., catch-basin drain.
 618.30 feet 24 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 789.90 feet 18 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 263.50 feet 15 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 219.60 feet 12 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 515.10 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 796.78 feet 2 ft. 8 in. × 3 ft. 6 in., brick.
 19.67 feet 16 in., iron pipe.
 15.85 feet tide gate manhole and connection.
 13 catch-basins.
 11 drop inlets.

Central Street, between Atlantic Avenue and India Street.

Labor	\$5,413 54
Cement	52 80
Sand and gravel	38 30
Iron castings	15 00
Teaming	817 50
Lumber	403 13
Drain pipe	178 45
Hire of machinery	150 50
Carpentry	129 59
Miscellaneous	297 56
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	\$7,496 37

Size and Length of Sewer.

218 feet 5 ft. × 5 ft., 3½ in., brick.

Central Street, between Boylston Street and Boylston Terrace.

Labor	\$2,210 11
Bricks	32 30
Cement	15 90
Sand	4 25
Iron castings	16 95
Explosives	73 49
Teaming	322 75
Lumber	33 50
Drain pipe	114 53
Rock excavation	550 50
Water	34 99
Miscellaneous	183 64
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	\$3,592 91

Size and Length of Sewer.

349.90 feet 12 in., pipe.

Chapman Avenue and Private Land.

Labor	\$13,958 05
Bricks	143 40
Cement	136 70
Sand and Gravel.	41 55
Iron castings	50 55
Explosives	124 70
Teaming	563 00
Lumber	864 90
Drain pipe	6,935 62
Hire of machinery	386 33
Miscellaneous	562 81
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	\$23,767 61

Size and Length of Sewer.

33.40 feet 24 in., brick.

674 feet 24 in., pipe.

909.84 feet 24 in., pipe.

44 feet 18 in., pipe.

Chelsea and Vine Streets, Metropolitan Sewer Connection.

Labor	\$1,991 79
Bricks	80 60
Cement	46 20
Sand	8 00
Iron castings	6 20
Teaming	24 00
Lumber	31 40
Drain pipe	21 93
Carpentry	93 66
Miscellaneous	12 83
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	\$2,316 61

Size and Length of Sewer.

120.76 feet 4 ft. × 4 ft. 3-in., brick.

24.02 feet 18-in., pipe.

24.40 feet 12-in., pipe.

Chestnut Hill Avenue, between Beacon Street and Commonwealth Avenue.

Labor	\$283 61
Cement	64 90
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<i>Carried forward.</i>	\$348 51

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,366 41
Iron castings	136 34
Drain pipe	302 90
Printing and advertising	104 66
Thomas O'Leary, contractor	1,835 66
Miscellaneous	4 45
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						\$3,750 42
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Size and Length of Sewer.

239 feet 3 ft. 6 in. × 4 ft. 10 in., brick.
 316 feet 2 ft. 4 in. × 3 ft. 6 in., brick.
 1,085 feet 12 in., pipe.
 5 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 39 feet 6 in., house drain.
 1 catch-basin.

Columbus Avenue, Sect. 9.

Labor	\$107 64
Joseph P. O'Connell, contractor	3,392 25
Miscellaneous	154 67
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						\$3,654 56
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Size and Length of Sewer.

6 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 22 feet 8 in., pipe house drain.

Commonwealth Avenue, Sect. 5, between Chestnut Hill Avenue and Newton line.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$178 72
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	40 25
Iron castings	57 09
Drain pipe	211 07
F. A. Snow, contractor	2,048 40
Advertising	48 38
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							\$2,583 91
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Size and Length of Sewer.

487.63 feet 10 in., pipe.
 77.50 feet 10 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 199 feet 12 in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 2 catch-basins.
 2 drop inlets.

<i>Brought forward</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$3,732 91
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	11 25
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	383 50
Lumber	.	.	.	.	.	.	996 46
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	8 23
Hire of machinery	48 00
Pile driving	262 50
Carpentry	256 30
Miscellaneous	100 20
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							\$5,799 35

Size and Length of Sewer.

31.43 feet 2 ft. 6 in., circular brick.

76.64 feet 3 ft. 3 in., circular brick.

591.84 feet 3 ft. × 4 ft., wood.

Dorchester Avenue, between Washington and Richmond Streets.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,887 48
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	66 95
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	27 65
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	77 94
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	36 20
Explosives	.	.	.	.	.	.	102 89
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	125 50
Drain pipe	405 36
Paving	111 00
Hire of machinery	340 00
Water	64 04
Miscellaneous	164 30
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							\$4,409 31

Size and Length of Sewer.

640.41 feet 12-in, pipe.

Dorchester-brook Sewer, between Norfolk Avenue and George Street.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$11,128 28
Bricks	1,136 22
Cement	630 30
Sand and gravel	984 75
Iron castings	27 30
Teaming	1,126 00
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$15,032 85

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$15,032 85
Lumber	795 31
Drain pipe	152 24
Carpentry	412 82
Hire of machinery	399 50
Miscellaneous	678 97
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						<u>\$17,471 69</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

541 feet 8 ft. 6 in. × 8 ft., brick.

Dundee Street, between Dalton Street and Massachusetts Avenue.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,345 21
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	60 13
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	24 20
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	41 30
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	30 70
Teaming	242 50
Lumber	110 68
Drain pipe	229 46
Water	68 34
Miscellaneous	31 34
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						<u>\$2,183 86</u>	

Size and Length of Sewer.

683.65 feet 12-in., pipe.

Endicott and Thacher Streets.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$5,988 51
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	843 14
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	520 30
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	363 95
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	15 15
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,330 00
Lumber	.	.	.	.	.	.	489 51
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	143 91
Hire of machinery	845 00
Carpentry	175 96
Paving	544 73
Water	67 40
Miscellaneous	366 27
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						<u>\$11,693 83</u>	



ROCK EXCAVATION FOR WHEEL PITS, CHAPMAN AVENUE
PUMPING STATION.

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$734 33
Teaming . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	12 50
Drain pipe	954 34
Printing and advertising	72 24
T. H. Connolly, contractor	2,906 00
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						\$4,679 41

Size and Length of Sewer.

865.49 feet 18-in., pipe.

494 feet 15-in., pipe.

Geneva Avenue and Park Street

Labor	\$152	13
Cement	285	15
Iron castings	68	52
Team	2	50
Drain pipe	309	18
Advertising and printing	84	25
Stone	18	00
J. P. O'Connell, contractor	752	40
D. F. O'Connell, contractor	2,925	35
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	\$4,597	48

Size and Length of Sewer.

591.48 feet 12-in., pipe.

244.60 feet 15-in., pipe.

621 feet 6-in., pipe.

3 catch-basins.

Gerard Street, between Massachusetts Avenue and
Norfolk Avenue.

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Size and Length of Sewer.

106.59 feet 15-in., pipe.

Hobart Street, between Brooks and Faneuil Streets.

Labor	\$634 45
Bricks	44 05
Cement	42 45
Iron castings	60 04
Catch-basin stone	44 00
Teaming	17 00
Drain pipe	875 90
T. J. Young & Co., contractors	2,362 24
Miscellaneous	2 64
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	\$4,082 77

Size and Length of Sewer.

350.01 feet 12-in., pipe.

817.56 feet 12-in., pipe.

261.23 feet 15-in., pipe.

Holmes Avenue.

Labor	\$4,111 34
Brick	248 50
Cement	355 50
Sand and gravel	217 20
Iron castings	63 14
Teaming	223 50
Lumber	28 35
Drain pipe	1,457 38
Carpentry	69 52
Water	182 35
Miscellaneous	33 02
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	\$6,989 80

Size and Length of Sewer.

378.20 feet 10-in., pipe.

794.89 feet 15-in., pipe.

650.42 feet 18-in., pipe.

600 feet 12-in., pipe, catch-basin drain.

250 feet 18-in., pipe, catch-basin drain.

64.32 feet 18-in., pipe, culvert.

50.05 feet 5 ft. 4 in × 3 ft. 4-in., concrete culvert.

55.85 feet 5 ft. × 6 ft., concrete culvert.

Huntington Avenue, Section 2.

Labor	\$3,721 02
Bricks	732 19
Cement	307 75
Sand	140 23
Iron castings	296 30
Team	576 00
Lumber	70 12
Drain pipe	181 26
H. P. Nawn, contractor	2,974 72
Hire of machinery	188 00
Carpentry	245 74
Miscellaneous	268 94
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	<u>\$9,702 27</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

261 feet 8-in., pipe house drain.

Hyde Park Avenue, between Walk Hill Street and 1,040 feet Southerly.

Labor	\$1,415 25
Bricks	74 98
Cement	23 00
Iron castings	49 80
Teaming	223 50
Lumber	69 90
Drain pipe	348 00
Water	104 09
Miscellaneous	36 96
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	<u>\$2,345 48</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

1,040.94 feet, 12-in., pipe.

Jamaicaway, between Castleton and Perkins Streets.

Labor	\$1,005 53
Bricks	98 00
Cement	42 00
Iron castings	50 38
Teaming	664 00
Lumber	140 60
Drain pipe	410 32
Water	112 45
Miscellaneous	204 98
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	<u>\$2,728 26</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

282.27 feet 12-in., pipe.

Kearsarge Avenue, between Warren Street and Winthrop Street.

Labor	\$1,530 71
Bricks	45 58
Cement	30 75
Sand	8 10
Iron castings	25 80
Explosives	138 59
Teaming	661 00
Lumber	7 74
Drain pipe	152 41
Paving	12 25
Water	39 99
Miscellaneous	188 98
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	<u>\$2,841 90</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

402.40 feet 12-in., pipe.

Lauriat Avenue.

Labor	\$1,094 12
Cement	827 10
Teaming	59 00
Lumber	35 96
Drain pipe	586 48
H. P. Nawn, contractor	9,558 56
Miscellaneous	32 70
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	<u>\$12,193 92</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

678.12 feet 15-in., pipe.

1,841.14 feet 12-in., pipe.

125.15 feet 10-in., pipe.

29.02 feet 18-in., pipe.

2,570 feet 6-in., pipe house drain.

69.49 feet 8 ft. × 8 ft., stone culvert.

61.80 feet 8 ft. × 6 ft. 8-in., stone culvert.

52.42 feet 4 ft. × 4 ft., stone culvert.

58.50 feet 24-in., pipe culvert.

6 catch-basins.

5 drop inlets.

Leyden Street and Private Land.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$10,187	31
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	793	90
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	485	00
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	380	87
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	110	59
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	826	00
Lumber	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	263	82
Pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,962	41
Hire of machinery	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	798	00
Water	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	230	47
Pile driving	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	310	40
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	743	80
								<u>\$17,092</u>	<u>57</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

200.40 feet 15-in., pipe.
 472.30 feet 18-in., pipe.
 518.68 feet 24-in., pipe.
 502.80 feet 12-in., pipe.
 373.58 feet 30-in. × 36-in., brick.

Liverpool Street, between Decatur and Central Square.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,249	36
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	19	13
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	32	45
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26	46
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	20	72
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	103	50
Lumber	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	31	16
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	392	00
J. Ettridge, contractor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	345	92
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	21	18
								<u>\$2,241</u>	<u>88</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

610 feet 18-in., pipe.

Lyons Street and Franklin Field.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,555	81
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	190	53
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	206	30
Sand	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26	25
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	253	91
Explosives	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	32	38
Team	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	286	00
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6,921	38
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	668	43
								<u>\$11,140</u>	<u>99</u>

Size and Length of Sewers.

1,109.36 feet 30-in., pipe.
 38.63 feet 30-in., iron pipe.
 36.73 feet 30-in., brick.

Mt. Vernon Avenue, between Rockland Street and End.

Labor	\$139 10
Cement	11 50
Drain pipe	146 51
T. J. Young & Co., contractors	1,822 26
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	<u>\$2,119 37</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

420.90 feet 12-in., pipe.

Munroe Street, between Walnut Avenue and existing Sewer.

Labor	\$2,014 97
Bricks	36 50
Cement	16 50
Iron castings	25 10
Teaming	279 25
Explosives	100 53
Drain pipe	85 80
Water	50 14
Miscellaneous	168 37
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	<u>\$2,777 16</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

243.96 feet 12-in., pipe.

Newton Street and Private Land.

Labor	\$3,102 97
Bricks	67 00
Cement	18 20
Sand	9 00
Teaming	103 00
Drain pipe	694 50
Miscellaneous	14 73
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	<u>\$4,009 40</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

525.42 feet 15-in., pipe.
 245 feet 12-in., pipe.
 199.58 feet 18-in., pipe.
 297 feet 20-in., double thick pipe.

<i>Brought forward</i>	.	.	.	.	.	\$5,818 10
Sand and gravel . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	104 75
Iron castings . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	46 65
Teaming . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	1,190 50
Lumber	124 62
Drain pipe	379 51
Carpentry	153 63
Water	90 00
Miscellaneous	43 15
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						\$7,950 91

Size and Length of Sewer.

729.15 feet 3 ft.×3 ft. 2⅛ in., brick.

180.48 feet 24-in., pipe.

Parkway, between Pond Street and Dorchester Avenue.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,192 08
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	34 47
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	22 20
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	120 04
Explosives	.	.	.	.	.	.	32 39
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	330 00
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	350 44
Water	.	.	.	.	.	.	295 76
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	60 34
							\$2,437 72

Size and Length of Sewer.

430.97 feet 12-in., pipe.

Pierce Farm Sewer, West Roxbury.

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Size and Length of Sewer.

5,190.96 feet 15-in., pipe.

862.96 feet 12-in., pipe.

**Private Land, between Lawrence Avenue and Stan-
wood Street.**

Labor	\$5,362 58
Bricks	1,241 10
Cement	552 10
Sand and gravel	308 85
Iron castings	26 25
Explosives	15 43
Teaming	608 00
Lumber	108 18
Pipe	661 75
Carpentry	294 27
Masonry	948 00
Miscellaneous	43 98

\$5,170 49
Size and Length of Sewer.

1,300 feet 15-in., pipe.

48 feet 12-in., pipe.

Private Land, Mozart, Selwyn and Arundel Streets.

Labor	\$4,259 06
Bricks	116 08
Cement	28 46
Iron castings	36 35
Explosives	15 21
Teaming	315 00
Lumber	43 99
Drain pipe	741 86
Miscellaneous	132 98

\$5,688 99
Size and Length of Sewer.

967 feet 18-in., pipe.

Private Land, Parkman, Brooks and Bigelow Streets.

Labor	\$7,227 73
Bricks	958 50
Cement	287 80

Carried forward \$8,474 03

Size and Length of Sewer.

289.49 feet 12-in., pipe.

Ruggles Street, between Parker Street and Back Bay Fens.

Labor	\$781 62
Bricks	102 00
Cement	157 75
Iron castings	51 90
Drain pipe	66 42
Advertising and printing	85 76
D. E. Lynch, contractor	3,971 59
Miscellaneous	1 89
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	<u>\$5,218 93</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

756 feet 2 ft. 6 in. × 3 ft., brick.

Shawmut Park, Edwin and Templeton Streets.

Labor	\$8,310 60
Bricks	184 06
Cement	83 95
Sand and gravel	57 15
Iron castings	101 25
Teaming	96 00
Lumber	32 01
Drain pipe	1,738 05
Water	390 46
Miscellaneous	76 08
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	<u>\$6,069 61</u>

Size and Length of Sewer.

392.89 feet 18-in., pipe.

432.05 feet 15-in., pipe.

2,603.87 feet 12-in., pipe.

Shawmut Avenue, Roxbury Street and Guild Row.

Labor	\$9,475 50
Bricks	1,112 34
Cement	386 00
Sand and gravel	222 00
Iron castings	16 60
Teaming	1,629 25
Lumber	284 77
Drain pipe	13 43
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$13,139 89

<i>Brought forward</i>	\$13,139	89
Hire of machinery	283	64
Carpentry	373	69
Paving	141	67
Miscellaneous.	258	73
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						\$14,197	62

Size and Length of Sewer.

823 feet 3 ft. 6 in. \times 5 ft. 6 in., brick.

16 feet 2 ft. 2 in. \times 3 ft. 3 in., brick.

Tyler Street, between Oak and Curve, and Kneeland
and Harvard Streets.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$12,004	79
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,223	67
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	501	50
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	698	47
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	54	71
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	3,304	00
Lumber	.	.	.	.	.	.	1,397	17
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	242	16
Hire of machinery	.	.	.	.	.	.	838	99
Carpentry	.	.	.	.	.	.	48	91
Piles	.	.	.	.	.	.	151	25
Water	.	.	.	.	.	.	74	62
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	712	68
							\$21,252	92

Size and Length of Sewer.

325.95 feet 2 ft.×3 ft., brick.

288.97 feet 2 ft.×3 ft., brick.

19.80 feet 20-in., iron pipe.

Walk Hill and Bourne Streets, between Patten Street
and Hyde Park Avenue.

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Size and Length of Sewer.

578 feet 15-in., pipe.

Washington Street, between Lower Mills and Fairmount Street.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$3,025 50
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	170 63
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	55 20
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	26 22
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	64 69
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	167 00
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	623 39
Water	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	172 20
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	97 00
Explosives	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	16 92

\$4,418 75
Size and Length of Sewer.

442.49 feet 15-in., pipe.

1,279.59 feet 12-in., pipe.

Wensley Street, between New Heath and Bickford Avenue.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$2,004 66
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	63 03
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22 47
Sand and gravel	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	15 00
Iron castings	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	31 05
Teaming	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	241 25
Lumber	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	46 15
Drain pipe	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	227 54
Water	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	69 99
Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	22 23

\$2,743 37
Size and Length of Sewer.

434.92 feet 12-in., pipe.

264.98 feet 10-in., pipe.

Western Avenue, between 180 feet West of Everett and Waverley Streets.

Labor	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$4,465 56
Bricks	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	803 15
Cement	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	359 85

Carried forward. \$5,628 56

<i>Brought forward</i>	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$5,628 56
Sand . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	19 80
Teaming . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	291 00
Lumber . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	128 42
Drain pipe . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	54 16
Hire of machinery	172 00
Carpentry	85 97
Water	124 20
Miscellaneous	171 70
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							\$6,675 81

Size and Length of Sewer.

279.38 feet 15-in., pipe.

682.10 feet 3 ft. × 3 ft. 2 in., brick.

280.53 feet 2 ft. 6 in., circular brick.

West Roxbury Low-level Sewer.(In private land between Amory street and 400 feet south of
Boylston.)

Labor . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,391 28
Bricks . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	212 02
Cement . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	116 90
Sand and gravel . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	98 60
Teaming . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	143 00
Lumber	224 77
N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R. Co.	2,292 73
Carpentry	38 46
Water	15 90
Miscellaneous	52 09
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							\$4,585 75

Size and Length of Sewer.

159 feet 2 ft. × 3 ft. 6 in., brick.

West Second Street, between E and D Streets.

Labor . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$1,261 20
Bricks . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	204 93
Cement . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	118 80
Sand and gravel . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	149 33
Teaming . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	208 00
Lumber . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	47 76
Paving . . . . .	.	.	.	.	.	.	105 25
Hire of machinery	164 00
Carpentry	102 51
Water	23 03
Miscellaneous	21 86
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							\$2,406 67

*Size and Length of Sewer.*230.38 feet 2 ft. \times 3 ft., brick.**Wolcott Street.**

Labor	\$149 48
Cement	69 00
Iron castings	61 96
Teaming	2 50
Drain pipe	1,258 50
Advertising and printing	82 62
C. B. Stone	38 50
J. P. O'Connell, contractor	1,208 33

 \$2,870 89
Size and Length of Sewer.

301 feet 6-in., pipe house drain.
 234.95 feet 30-in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 152.15 feet 24-in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 372.60 feet 12-in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 52.18 feet 10-in., pipe catch-basin drain.
 3 catch-basins.
 2 drop inlets.

APPENDIX F.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE STREET CLEANING DIVISION OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT.

923 TREMONT BUILDING, BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1897.

BENJAMIN W. WELLS, Esq., *Superintendent of Streets* :

DEAR SIR: I respectfully submit the annual report of the expenditures and income of the Street Cleaning Division of the Street Department for the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1897.

I assumed charge of the Street Cleaning Division of the Street Department on March 1, 1896, which was one month after the beginning of the financial year. The district lines of the Division were changed in 1895 with a less number of districts than had been originally established and covering less territory; that is to say, that the change was not intended to cover the Brighton and Dorchester Districts, the scope of the push-cart patrol system being continued about the same.

District No. 1, South Boston, — formerly West End.

Districts No. 2 and No. 3, East Boston and Charlestown, — formerly North End, and South End respectively.

District No. 7, Roxbury, remaining as before.

District No. 8, South End and city proper, — formerly South End and Back Bay.

District No. 9, Back Bay, — formerly Charlestown and East Boston.

District No. 10, West End and North End, — formerly called No. 1 and No. 2, practically remaining the same.

All of the headquarters of the respective districts are at the Sanitary Division stables and yards, with the exception of District No. 1, South Boston, where the stable is directly under control of the Division. The push-cart system headquarters are at the dumping scow on Atlantic avenue and are also separated from the Sanitary Division. I would respectfully recommend that any change that may be contemplated for any reorganization or enlargement of the office and yard facilities of this Division be considered in such a manner that the Street Cleaning Division stables and offices of the different districts be so arranged that they may be entirely separated from those of any other Division.

The Charlestown force, covering the Charlestown and East Boston districts, is obliged to care for the streets of East Boston, giving two days a week for that purpose. It is not only taking

away from Charlestown the care that it should receive, but it is not giving the East Boston District the necessary attention; and I respectfully recommend that some action be taken as regards the establishment of a separate street cleaning district in East Boston.

EQUIPMENT.

The principal part of the equipment of the Division consists of double and single sweeping machines, dirt carts, water carts, cart horses, machine horses, single and double harnesses, rubbish wagons, waste barrels, push carts and barrels and a snow-plough, which has been tried during the winter, and will probably be purchased.

The dirt carts are in bad shape, many of them needing extensive repairs, and some entirely unfitted for use. The time has come when a tight cart must be used. Since the Division was organized, it has been using exclusively the old-style ash cart, which seems to me no longer fully useful for the work on account of being leaky. I am about ready to place on the street a cart, built on somewhat different lines than the one now in vogue. The cart is made in a somewhat heavier manner, but the remodelling has been confined wholly to the tail-boards, with a view to making the carts nearly water-tight; this cart will be given a thorough test as regards water-tight properties. I respectfully and earnestly recommend that twenty new dirt carts be purchased during the year.

The various double and single machines and the water carts have undergone extensive repairs during the past year, so that I am able to say that the machines, at least, are in better condition than ever before.

The harnesses, although old, are in very fair shape. No new harnesses have been purchased during the year.

The Division maintains a blacksmith and carpenter shop in the South yard of the Sanitary Division. Here the machines, carts, push-carts, etc., are repaired.

VIOLATION OF CITY ORDINANCES.

The greatest drawback to street cleaning that we have in this city to-day is the constant and unrestrained violation of the City Ordinances in relation to throwing rubbish and waste material into the streets. With a good and effective street cleaning organization as we have to-day, and with a determined and constant co-operation of the Police Department of the city, we ought to be able to preserve a state of cleanliness that would be reasonably acceptable to the public. If it should prove impossible, for any reason, to secure such co-operation, it might be practicable—and it would certainly be worth the experiment—to have special officers or inspectors appointed, who should be invested with all the authority of the police to enforce these

sanitary ordinances. As we have not had the power of acting directly ourselves, I have instructed my foremen throughout the city to act as inspectors and to make formal complaints to the captains of the various precincts. In this way, at least, I hope to be able to bring to the attention of the police authorities all persons who are violating the City Ordinances.

CROWDED SECTIONS.

I would call to your attention certain sections of the city which, so far as street cleaning is concerned, do not become any better. At the North and West Ends there is a large foreign population, and, although we have now to contend with streets travelled more than formerly, with an increased population and in a small crowded area, peopled by entirely new and in many cases ignorant classes, the Street Cleaning force has not been materially increased since the organization of the Division.

SUBWAY.

The operations of the Transit Commission during the past year have made our work extremely laborious and expensive, on account of the large amount of teaming of materials used in the construction, not to mention the dirt that has been excavated and carted away. The work on the subway being along the principal thoroughfares, we have endeavored to maintain the same standard of efficiency, in spite of the many annoyances and disturbances occasioned by this important work. While there has been some disposition, on the part of the Transit Commission, to remove the excess of dirt occasioned by the operations, there has not at all times been a satisfactory amount of painstaking on the part of the contractors.

PUSH-CART SYSTEM.

The push-cart system has been managed effectively and efficiently during the past year. The force has been increased by the addition of nine new routes, covering the newly-paved portion of Huntington and Columbus avenues, the Salem street section at the North End and the Genesee street section at the South End. Beacon street has been patrolled from Charles to Tremont street, and we have also placed a man in charge of all the crossings at Copley square. We have also adopted a uniform cap and badge, and are now contemplating the semi-uniforming of the push-cart patrolmen.

I will endeavor during the coming year to still further extend the system, and also to make some minor changes that I believe will render the force more efficient, such as the addition of an extra barrel to all the men and the shortening of some of the routes, in order that the sections covered may be kept in a more cleanly condition.

During the past year the barrels have been kept in a much neater condition; both carts and barrels being constantly repainted. I would recommend that some facilities be afforded at the dock for the cleaning of the barrels and carts used in the push-cart system.

PAPER NUISANCE.

In the outlying districts, where the streets are mostly of macadam, the paper nuisance shows to the greatest disadvantage. Macadam streets are cleaned only once a week, and unless a paper patrol is maintained, it would seem at times as if they were totally neglected. My idea is to map out routes, so that all macadam streets north of Massachusetts avenue, and also in South Boston, Charlestown and Roxbury will be covered or patrolled every day by teams, which will be required to gather up only waste papers, pieces of wood, and other such unsightly matter that may be blown or cast into the streets.

SNOW WORK.

During the past winter we have maintained, in addition to our regular force, an emergency force, which had the care of all crossings in one of the down-town sections, namely, between Kneeland and State streets, and Atlantic avenue and Tremont street. This work has also been extended in a measure around the market section, and the thoroughfares leading from the centre of the city to the Union Station. The work of the emergency and the regular force has been to keep the crossings free from snow, slush and water at all times; it has proved very effective, and has almost wholly put a stop to the incessant complaints that the Division was in the habit of hearing in previous winter seasons.

DUMPS.

Boston is at a great disadvantage, especially in the city proper, as regards its dumping facilities. Although we have an extensive wharf front for the placing of dumping scows, the city maintains but one. In New York City there are nineteen dumping-stations equipped with one or more scows. A dumping-station should be maintained at the North End or along the line of the Charles river. At the present time, long hauls are necessary, and result in an increased expenditure for carting. At the South End and Back Bay we are still able to hold a few good places on the low lands; but the time will soon come when even these will be filled, and then it will be necessary to find new dumps, either along the water front or farther back in the suburban localities.

CIVIL SERVICE.

At the present time, there is a large percentage of old men employed by this Division, and the Veterans' Preference Act makes it hard to draw into the service the best and most

desirable. Men of fifty years and upward are not fitted for the energetic and arduous duties of this Division. It would seem that this Division of the Street Department, like the Police and Fire Departments, should have an age limit, and that a considerably lower one than fifty years, or else should not be handicapped by the workings of the Veterans' Preference Act as regards the appointment of its force. Appointments and promotions have been made wholly with regard to fitness, ability and merit, and no discharges have been made without first a fair consideration and only for good and sufficient cause. It has been my constant aim to conform to the Civil Service rules and requirements.

RELATIONS OF THE STREET CLEANING DIVISION TO THE PAVING DIVISION.

I would respectfully call to your attention, that during the past year — part of the time in the spring — the Paving Division was employed in shaping the macadam street surfaces and scraping the gutters; and I would, consequently, suggest the importance of showing, in connection with the work of this Division, the number of cart loads of waste and dirt taken from the macadamized streets of the city by the Paving Division.

Good and successful pavements are essential for good and successful street cleaning.

The many poor and uneven pavements throughout the city proper make the work of the Street Cleaning Division much harder, especially in streets where there are railroad tracks. The tendency of pavements for many years in Europe, and for half a generation in America, has been toward smoother surfaces and fewer joints. Macadam and Telford streets are not desirable within the truly city limits; the wear of heavy traffic and the effect of wet, dry and freezing weather disintegrate them rapidly. Under more than the lightest traffic, Telford and macadam cannot compete in economy, if maintained with proper care, with granite, asphalt, or even wood pavements. Smooth and durable pavements upon the streets would encourage efforts to clean them, and the entire neighborhood is influenced to a better appearance. Streets in the tenement and similar quarters should be laid with asphalt, as the surface of such pavements, being without joint, is easily cleaned, and could also be flushed or washed free from germs of all kinds by each rainfall.

CONCLUSION.

Realizing that the push-cart system is one of the most effective means of keeping our streets clean, I have endeavored to enlarge it, and have done so consistently with my appropriation. With streets cleaned every twenty-four hours by machinery, and patrolled every day by push-carts, a reasonable state of cleanliness can be expected.

I cannot conclude this report until I have expressed my appreciation of the good work of the clerks, the foremen and sub-foremen of this Division. Their co-operation and support have been at all times cordial and earnest, without which I am free to say it would have been impossible to show the work I here submit.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSHUA ATWOOD, 3D.,

Deputy Superintendent.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount of appropriation	\$300,000 00
Transferred from Central Office	218 15
Transferred from Bridge Division	906 87
Transferred from Ferry Division	05
Transferred from Paving Division	2,961 85
Transferred from Sewer Division	2,172 94
Transferred from Surplus Revenue, 1896-97	4,006 53
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Total amount of appropriation	\$310,266 39
Total amount of expenditures	\$310,266 39
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OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURES.

Superintendence.

Salary of Deputy Superintendent	\$3,000 00
Office pay-rolls	4,210 90
Stationery	161 54
Printing	545 77
Board of horses	612 32
Telephone service	271 65
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Total cost of superintendence	\$8,802 18
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CLEANING STREETS.

Including the Cost of Sweeping, Loading, and Removal of Street Dirt.

District 1. South Boston	\$16,531 62
District 2-3. East Boston and Charlestown	13,942 11
District 7. Roxbury	16,349 50
District 8. South End	53,280 47
District 9. Back Bay	6,566 18
District 10. West End and North End	39,012 79
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Total cost of cleaning streets	\$145,682 67
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CLEANING GUTTERS.

Including Cost of Sweeping, Loading, and Removal of Street Dirt.

District 1.	South Boston	\$2,862 72
District 2-3.	East Boston and Charlestown . .	3,569 34
District 7.	Roxbury	6,425 16
District 8.	South End	3,334 90
District 9.	Back Bay	3,960 33
District 10.	West End and North End . . .	1,229 92

Total cost of cleaning gutters	<u>\$21,382 37</u>
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Total length of gutters cleaned, 2,819.94 miles.

Average cost per mile (including dump), \$7.74.

COST OF MAINTAINING DUMPS.

District 1.	South Boston	\$498 00
District 2-3.	East Boston and Charlestown . .	568 00
District 7.	Roxbury	
District 8.	South End	1,289 74
District 9.	Back Bay	439 95
District 10.	West End and North End . . .	1,124 32

Total cost of dumps	<u>\$3,920 01</u>
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REMOVING SNOW.

Including Labor on Crossings, in Streets, Carting of Snow, etc.

District 1.	South Boston	\$2,862 94
District 2-3.	East Boston and Charlestown . .	2,326 03
District 7.	Roxbury	5,964 70
District 8.	South End	9,918 29
District 9.	Back Bay	779 82
District 10.	West End and North End . . .	6,439 08

Total cost	<u>\$28,290 06</u>
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MISCELLANEOUS WORK.

This shows the cost of such work as may not be characterized the same in all districts.

Including Miscellaneous Work, Sweeping and Carting of Leaves, etc.

District 1.	South Boston	\$195 82
District 2-3.	East Boston and Charlestown . .	6 30
District 7.	Roxbury	278 50
District 8.	South End	271 95
District 9.	Back Bay	7 35
District 10.	West End and North End . . .	192 38

Total cost	<u>\$932 30</u>
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CLEANING CROSSINGS.

Including Cost of Manual and Machine Labor.

Cost of cleaning crossings	\$1,382 84
Removing snow by patrol	2,463 60
Total cost	<u>\$3,846 44</u>

PATROLLING BY DISTRICTS.

This Includes the Cost of Picking up and Removal of Refuse Papers, etc., from the Streets.

Cost of paper patrol	<u>\$1,697 95</u>
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PUSH-CART PATROL SYSTEM.

Superintendence, inspection, etc.	\$2,137 98
Push-carts, including labor and teaming	29,483 55
	<u>\$31,621 53</u>

Recapitulation of Expenses, exclusive of Superintendence, Stable and Yard Expenses, Stock and Miscellaneous Accounts.

DISTRICTS.	Cost of Cleaning Streets.	Cost of Cleaning Gutters.	Cost of Dumps.	Cost of Snow.	Miscellaneous Work.	Cost of Crossings.	Patrolling in Business Districts.	Cost of Patrol System.	Total.
1.....	\$16,531 62	\$2,862 72	\$498 00	\$2,862 94	\$195 82	.....	.....	.....	\$22,951 10
2-3.....	13,942 11	3,569 34	568 00	2,326 03	6 30	.....	.....	.....	20,411 78
7.....	16,349 50	6,425 16	.....	5,964 70	278 50	.....	.....	.....	29,017 86
8.....	53,280 47	3,334 90	1,289 74	9,918 29	271 95	.....	.....	.....	68,095 35
9.....	6,566 18	3,960 33	439 95	779 82	7 35	.....	.....	.....	11,753 63
10.....	30,012 79	1,229 92	1,124 32	6,439 08	172 38	.....	.....	.....	47,978 49
Cost of sweep- ing crossings	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$3,846 44	.....	.....	3,846 44
Patrolling in business dis- tricts.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$1,697 95	.....	1,697 95
Push-cart pa- trol system..	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$31,621 53	31,621 53
Total.....	\$145,682 67	\$21,382 37	\$3,920 01	\$28,290 86	\$932 30	\$3,846 44	\$1,697 95	\$31,621 53	\$237,374 13

STABLE AND YARD EXPENSES.

Including the cost of the South End, West End, Roxbury, South Boston and Charlestown stables, as follows :

Superintendence of stables	\$1,219 53
Labor, including the cost of feeders, hostlers, broom-makers, blacksmiths, carpenters, watchmen, yardmen, messenger, etc.	20,100 71
Cart and carriage repairs	4,796 16
Harness repairs	1,014 19
Horse-shoeing	3,103 14
Sweeping-machine repairs	2,635 35
Stable and shed repairs	302 78
Street car tickets and ferry passes	806 00
Tool repairs	101 05
Veterinary services and medicine	1,268 19
Total	<u>\$35,347 10</u>

STOCK ACCOUNT.

Broom stock purchased	\$4,705 15
Carts and carriages purchased	530 00
Harnesses and horse furnishings purchased	297 70
Horses purchased	1,835 00
Tools purchased	537 32
Waste barrels	175 00
Patrol stock and maintenance of same	1,211 23
Total	<u>\$9,291 40</u>

MISCELLANEOUS.

Holidays	\$11,562 46
Scow (cost of disposal at sea of 36,072 loads of street-dirt)	4,794 97
Sundries	2,353 56
Committee on claims, vote of	1,500 00
Total	<u>\$20,210 99</u>

GENERAL RECAPITULATION OF EXPENSES.

Superintendence	\$8,802 18
Cleaning streets	145,682 67
Cleaning gutters	21,382 37
Maintaining dumps	3,920 01
Removal of snow and ice	28,290 86
Miscellaneous work	932 30
Cleaning crossings	3,846 44
Paper patrol in business districts	1,697 95

Carried forward \$214,554 78

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<i>Brought forward</i>	\$214,554 78
Patrol system, push-carts	31,621 53
Stable and yard expenses	35,347 10
Stock account	9,291 40
Miscellaneous	20,210 99
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						\$311,025 80

NOTE.—Of the above amount, the sum of \$759.41 was paid by other departments and divisions, on account of work done, etc., making the net expenses of this division, as shown in the financial statement, \$310,266.39.

INCOME.

Amount of the bills deposited with the City Collector during the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1897, \$5,833.08.

Table showing the Cost per Mile of Cleaning the Streets in each District, exclusive of Supervision and other Expenses.

DISTRICTS.	Miles of Streets Cleaned.	Cost of Cleaning.	Pro Rata Cost of Dumps.	Total Cost.	Cost per Mile.
1.....	990.46	\$16,531 62	\$424 49	\$16,956 11	\$17 11
2-3.....	1,046.47	13,942 11	452 21	14,395 32	13 75
7.....	655.01	16,349 50	.....	16,349 50	24 96
8.....	5,280.72	53,280 47	1,213 73	54,494 20	10 31
9.....	676.08	6,566 18	274 42	6,846 60	10 11
10.....	3,430.82	39,012 79	1,089 94	40,102 73	11 68
	12,079.56	\$145,682 67	\$3,455 79	\$149,138 46	

Average cost per mile of cleaning streets in six districts, exclusive of supervision, etc., \$12.34.

Table showing the Cost per Mile of Cleaning the Streets in each District, including Supervision, Labor, Yard and Stable Expenses.

DIS- TRICTS.	Miles of Streets Cleaned.	Cost of Cleaning Streets.	62% of the Total Cost of Supervision.	73% of the Total Cost of Yard and Stable Expenses.	Total Expense.	Total Cost per Mile.
1 . .	990.46	\$16,956 11	\$620 48	\$2,933 69	\$20,510 28	\$20 70
2-3 .	1,046.47	14,395 32	526 76	2,490 63	17,412 71	16 62
7 . .	655.01	16,349 50	598 27	2,828 74	19,776 51	30 19
8 . .	5,280.72	54,494 20	1,994 08	9,428 38	65,916 66	12 48
9 . .	676.08	6,840 60	250 32	1,183 53	8,274 45	12 23
10 . .	3,430.82	40,102 73	1,467 44	6,938 41	48,508 58	14 13
	12,079.56	\$149,138 46	\$5,457 35	\$25,803 38	\$180,399 19	

Average cost per mile of cleaning the streets in six districts, including supervision, etc., \$14.93.

Table showing the Number of Loads of Street Dirt Removed.

DISTRICTS.	Number of Loads of Dirt Removed.	Cost per load of cleaning streets and removing to dumps, including Foreman's Superintendence.
1	15,751	\$1 23
2-3	11,692	1 49
7	21,240	1 07
8	29,396	1 92
9	6,502	1 61
10	21,411	1 87
	105,992	Barrel loads.
Removed by paper patrol	1,616	
Removed by push-cart, patrol system	5,353	58,986
Removed by district push-carts . . . . .	. . . . .	2,692
Totals	112,961	61,678

Total number of cart loads removed 112,961
Total number of barrel loads removed 61,678

36,072 loads of the above dirt (or 31 per cent) were delivered at the dumping scow, the towing of which to sea cost 15 cents per load. In addition to the above, 28,819 single loads and 3,688 double loads of street scrapings were removed from the streets by the Paving Division.

PUBLIC WASTE BARRELS.

Total number of waste barrels emptied 26,346

FORCE EMPLOYED.

Deputy Superintendent	1
Clerk	1
Messengers	3
Employees in the division not including the above	321
Entire force	<u>326</u>
Average force employed during the year	<u>316</u>

APPENDIX G.

REPORT OF DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF STREET
WATERING DIVISION.742 TREMONT BUILDING,
BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1897.Mr. BENJ. W. WELLS, *Superintendent of Streets* :

DEAR SIR: I herewith respectfully submit the annual report of the expenditures, income and operations of the Street Watering Division, for the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1897.

The street watering season of 1896 has been a remarkable one in many ways. It was one of the most trying from a weather standpoint, and this, coupled with the fact that the appropriation was smaller by many thousands than heretofore, makes the results attained highly satisfactory. While expressing satisfaction with the work accomplished during the year, the division does not wish to give its approval to continued small appropriations for street watering purposes. The growth of the city, and the open character of our winters, necessarily lengthening the season, make it imperative that a substantial increase should be made in the amount assigned for this work.

The season began the 25th of March, and carts were employed in parts of the city proper as late as the 4th of December. Some were really needed during days in January, but the thermometer was so low that ice formed as soon as water was thrown from the carts, which were called out to relieve the dust nuisance. It is decidedly dangerous to horse travel to attempt to water streets when the temperature is below freezing, and there seems to be no method by which the dust can be overcome, except, perhaps, by frequent sweeping and scraping.

The construction of the subway has been the occasion of much dust, and consequent public complaint. The best possible effort has been made to keep the dust down along Tremont and the other streets used by the Transit Commissioners, but when the weather becomes cold it is a nuisance that frequent sweeping cannot altogether abate.

As Blue Hill, Huntington, and Commonwealth avenues near completion it becomes necessary to provide for their care. The present force of carts has been given more miles of streets than efficiency should require, and an increase must be made to water the avenues mentioned. It is also the opinion of

the division that an auxiliary force should be maintained to use in emergency cases and on exceptional days when the regular number of carts is inadequate. Fully seven extra carts are needed for regular work during the coming season. They are required by the natural growth of the city, the acquisition of the above avenues, and the reduction of some of the overworked routes.

The auxiliary force should be maintained as follows: South Boston, 2 carts; East Boston, 2 carts; Charlestown, 1 cart; Brighton, 3 carts; West Roxbury, 4 carts; Dorchester, 4 carts; Roxbury, 4 carts; city proper, 5 carts; total, 25. This force would be very valuable during an unusually dry spell, and in case of negligence on the part of any of the regular force could be called upon to displace them. To discipline a cart-owner, where there are only enough carts to do the work, is like punishing the division; for the force is made so much less, no carts as a rule being available to do the work of the negligent one. In connection with providing this auxiliary force it may be well to ask, will the contractors invest in a plant which insures so little profit as a watering cart? This is the one great impediment in providing the force.

During an average season some 202,160,000 gallons of water are used for street watering. This tremendous use of fresh water must, as years go on, be prevented by the use of salt water. The systematic and gradual construction of salt water mains is the only solution to the introduction of salt water, and this has already been suggested in connection with the use of salt water for fire purposes. To use salt water now by the old pumping-stations would entail a very large expense, and is impracticable. Attention is called to this matter here to show the necessity of providing for some method of saving the fresh water, and it is needless to state that salt water for watering streets is superior to it.

The expense of the division last year was \$71,211.81, the smallest in its history. It may be considered the lowest figure at which our 305 miles of macadam streets can be watered. The efficiency and method of the department has reached the highest degree of excellence; and in the future the expenses may be expected to show an increase commensurate with the growth of the city.

The trial of watering streets by electric watering cars has proved such a success that it should be one of the earliest efforts of the department to make the West End Street Railway Company water the streets through which its tracks run. If this is accomplished the increase demanded for the regular force could be provided from the carts removed from the streets on which the West End Street Railway Company will operate its cars. Nothing is risked in saying that not only could the division do this, but it could also give extra watering service throughout the city.

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The following sums have been expended for street watering during the past six (6) years :

1891	.	.	\$104,263 62	|	1894	.	.	\$87,169 08
1892	.	.	94,507 80	|	1895	.	.	76,424 70
1893	.	.	99,430 16	|	1896	.	.	71,211 81

The income during the last year was \$952.50.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. J. FINNERAN,

Deputy Superintendent Street Watering Division.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Amount of appropriation	\$70,000 00
Transferred from Sewer Division . .	.	1,211 81
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Total amount of appropriation . .	.	\$71,211 81
Total amount of expenditures . .	.	<u>\$71,211 81</u>

Objects of Expenditures.

DISTRICTS.	Hired Carts.	Labor.	Water- Posts.	Bicycles and Repairs.	Horse- hire.	Repairs of Carts.	Board of Horses.	Sundries.	Totals.	DISTRICTS.
South Boston....	\$3,475 00	\$399 00	\$188 44	\$73 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$4,135 44	South Boston.
East Boston....	3,532 50	395 50	222 09	36 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,186 89	East Boston.
Charlestown....	3,240 00	407 75	134 60	36 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,818 85	Charlestown.
Brighton.....	6,567 50	406 00	296 12	36 50	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,306 12	Brighton.
West Roxbury...	9,045 75	686 00	444 18	73 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,248 93	West Roxbury.
Dorchester.....	9,105 75	819 00	551 86	73 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	10,549 61	Dorchester.
Roxbury.....	9,932 25	812 00	457 64	73 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,274 89	Roxbury.
City Proper.....	11,434 50	5,090 31	351 97	36 45	\$290 00	\$989 25	\$625 60	\$873 30	19,691 38	City Proper.
Totals.....	\$56,333 25	\$9,015 56	\$2,646 90	\$437 95	*\$290 00	\$989 25	\$625 60	\$873 30	\$71,211 81	Totals.

* New horse included.

2 Five hydrants included.

INCOME.

The division watered in front of 127 school-houses, 9 police stations and 37 engine-houses. The charges against the Board of Police and Fire Department have been paid, but the School Committee, as usual, ignores its debt.

The following sums were charged for street watering, and bills for the same deposited with the City Collector during the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1897:—

Fire Department	\$470 40
Board of Police	136 85
Homœopathic Hospital	105 00
Louisburg Square	100 00
Fairfax and Beaumont streets	75 00
Marcella-street Home	28 00
State House grounds	25 00
Boston Dispensary	12 25
Total	<u>\$952 50</u>

The bill against the School Committee amounts to \$3,466.54.

Summary of Day Work paid for by the City.

No.	DISTRICT.	No. Carts.	No. Miles Covered.	Average per Cart.
1 . .	South Boston	9	23.05	2.56
. .	East Boston	8	21.63	2.70
. .	Charlestown	7	15.00	2.14
. .	Brighton	13	32.65	2.51
5 . .	West Roxbury	18	61.06	3.39
6 . .	Dorchester	19	63.31	3.33
7 . .	Roxbury	19	54.19	2.85
8 . .	Back Bay	10	15.93	1.59
9 . .	Beacon Hill	2	4.25	2.12
10 . .	South End	7	14.36	2.05
	Totals	112	305.41	2.72

The above summary shows that 112 carts watered 305.41 miles of macadam streets this year. Last year the same number of carts watered 301.92 miles of streets. The cost of the watering exclusive of supervision was \$184 per mile, or \$56,333.25, against \$214 per mile last year and an expense of \$64,532.75. The work this year, as last, was done entirely by day work under the immediate control of the division. The abolition of the contract work and substitution of day work has given street watering service at the lowest possible cost, and hereafter with the growth of the city and the open character of our winters the expense may be expected to increase.

Attention should be directed to the fact that the appropriation is now so small that only the absolute necessities of the service are provided for, and little or no freedom is allowed for unusual conditions. Streets outside of the City Proper are watered twice a day and this is sufficient for the majority of them, but there are many on which the traffic is so great that they should be watered three and four times. Provisions are now made whereby all important highways are watered at least three times, but in some sections the force and expense will not permit of this really necessary arrangement.

Our citizens are continually demanding increased service, and no work done by any other branch of the department is more appreciated than that of street watering.

Work done by Contractors at the Expense of the Abutters.

DISTRICTS.	Contractors.	Carts.	Miles.
City Proper	Daniel Clark . .	4	4.45
City Proper	Potter Bros. . .	5	8.75
City Proper	Proctor Bros. & Co.	5	7.25
City Proper	C. Nute & Son .	1	2.73
East Boston	J. J. Fitzpatrick .	1	2.00
Charlestown	W. H. Quigley .	1	2.00
Roxbury and South Boston .	H. P. Cook & Co. .	3	7.78
Roxbury	Gilligan Bros. .	1	1.25
Totals . . . .	. . . . .	21	36.21

The above table gives the work done by contractors for the abutters on paved streets. The work is substantially the same as last year. Notwithstanding how many times explained it always seems necessary to state for a large number that the division waters only macadam streets.

While upon this subject it is perhaps well to point out that the method of watering paved streets is not altogether satisfactory, inasmuch as some receive service they do not, or are not willing to pay for. There is no compulsion about the watering of paved streets, and where A desires it done B may not be willing to pay for his share. Such conditions frequently arise, and the contractor refuses to water except where he is assured a profit for his work.

From a careful investigation it would appear that the watering of all paved streets could be done by the division for \$50,000. It needs no argument to prove that the watering could be done better under day than contract work, and there are many parts of the city not now watered because of the expense, where this privilege would be a great benefit to the health of the people living in the congested communities.

In connection with the suggestion that the city water the paved streets free of cost to the abutter it should be urged that the division still feels that the West End Street Railway Company ought not to be relieved by any such arrangement of its manifest duty to water its tracks. If the West End took care of the streets through which it runs its cars the expense would be very much reduced; but \$125,000, it may be safely stated, will water every accepted street, paved and macadam, within the city limits. This matter is respectfully set forth for your consideration.

Work done by the Contractors Free of Cost to the City.

NAME.	Carts.	Miles.
Daniel Clark	$\frac{1}{2}$	0.86
Potter Bros.	$\frac{3}{4}$	1.12
Proctor Bros. & Co.	1	1.75
O. Nute & Son	$\frac{1}{8}$	0.21
H. P. Cook & Co.	$\frac{3}{4}$	1.09
Gilligan Bros.	$\frac{1}{4}$	0.54
Totals	$2\frac{3}{8}$	5.57

The amount of work done by the contractors in return for their franchises remains the same as last year. Most of this gratuitous service is done in sections, where it would be exceedingly difficult to operate a day cart under the control of the division, as there is not enough work to keep one cart employed all the time. An expense of \$2,000 is saved the division by this watering.

Distribution of Carts showing Entire Amount of Work done.

No.	DISTRICT.	Hired Carts.	Contractors' Carts.	Total.	Miles.
1. .	South Boston . . .	9	1	10	25.98
2. .	East Boston . . .	8	1	9	23.63
3. .	Charlestown. . . .	7	1	8	17.00
4. .	Brighton	13	. . . .	13	32.65
5. .	West Roxbury . . .	18	. . . .	18	61.06
6. .	Dorchester	19	. . . .	19	63.31
7. .	Roxbury	19	3	22	60.24
8, 9, 10	City Proper	19	15	34	57.72
	Free watering . . .	. .	$3\frac{3}{8}$	$3\frac{3}{8}$	5.57
	Totals	112	$24\frac{3}{8}$	$136\frac{3}{8}$	347.16

Water-Posts or Stand-Pipes.

During the year three new stand-pipes were erected and three relocated for the benefit of the service. Five hydrants were established to test street sprinkling with electric cars.

The location is shown by districts : —

DISTRICTS.	1891.	1892.	1893.	1894.	1895.	1896.	Electric Hydrants.	Incr.
South Boston .	23	25	27	27	28	28		
East Boston .	16	23	28	32	33	34		
Charlestown .	19	19	20	20	20	20		
Brighton . .	25	39	42	44	44	44		
West Roxbury.	50	59	60	65	66	67	. . .	1
Dorchester . .	61	72	75	82	82	83	. . .	1
Roxbury . .	53	60	65	68	68	68		
City Proper .	24	42	45	48	52	53	5	1
Total . .	271	339	362	386	393	396	5	3

NOTE. — An increase of 125 stand-pipes since 1891.

The use of bicycles by the men having charge of the watering in the various sections continues to give highly satisfactory results in the matter of efficiency.

Mr. J. W. Smith, the Local Forecast Official, still obliges us with daily weather reports of great value.

The Water Department continues its assistance in the matter of meeting our requirements in the repair of stand-pipes and the use of water.

APPENDIX H.

CITY OF BOSTON, ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT,
50 CITY HALL, JAN. 31, 1897.

MR. BENJAMIN W. WELLS, *Superintendent of Streets* :

SIR: I herewith submit the following report of the work done under my direction for the Street Department during the year 1896.

BLUE HILL AVENUE.

The work on this avenue from Grove Hall to Walk Hill street a distance of 2.21 miles is in a forward state. It is substantially completed from Grove Hall to the principal entrances to Franklin Park, and the remaining portion was so far advanced, that one fairly good roadway for the entire length under construction was in use during the winter. During the year the excavation or rough grading has been completed, the work on the sewers, water and gaspipes has been carried forward nearly to completion and about one-half the work of roadway construction done. The avenue to Walk Hill street should be completed during the working season of 1897.

The construction of the remaining part of the avenue from Walk Hill street to Mattapan, a distance of .65 mile has not yet been ordered.

The total amount of excavation made has been as follows:—

Earth	.	.	.	.	.	.	136,984.53	cubic yards.
Rock	.	.	.	.	.	.	33,913.59	" "
Total	.	.	.	.	.	.	170,898.12	" "

There has been a large surplus of excavated material, and after completing the filling required, the remainder has been disposed of as follows:—

Delivered on Lauriat avenue (haul about 0.46 mile),	7,524	cu. yds.
" " Geneva " (" " 1.67 "),	6,083	" "
" " Columbus avenue between Dimock street and West Walnut Park (haul about 1.60 miles)	7,899	" "
Delivered on Talbot avenue (haul about 0.17 mile),	5,000	" "
Total	26,506	" "

In addition to the above, large and unmeasured quantities of filling have been delivered on Franklin Field, Franklin Park, and

on Blue Hill avenue beyond Walk Hill street. On the section nearest Grove Hall, the surplus, amounting to 3,291 cubic yards, was disposed of by the contractor under the contract. A large part of the rock excavated was of such inferior quality as to be only suitable for filling. From the cut near Walk Hill street, however, suitable stone was found, and enough was saved to furnish stock for Telford base for about 16,000 square yards or about 1.07 miles of one roadway.

The total cost of excavation including its delivery as above indicated has been as follows:—

Earth, 136,984.53 cubic yards	.	.	.	.	\$57,603 44
Average cost per cubic yard	.	.	.	.	0.4205
Rock, 33,913.59 cubic yards	.	.	.	.	35,620 87
Average cost per cubic yard	.	.	.	.	1 05

Most of the work remaining to be done is under contract and partially completed. There remains one section of roadway, from Glenway street to Canterbury street, which can be put under contract on the completion of the sewer, gas and water-pipe work. The construction of a retaining-wall next Franklin Park must follow the completion of the above-named section of roadway, as its site is now occupied by the temporary roadway.

The Street railroad has been rebuilt from Grove Hall, and extended 0.95 mile to Harvard street.

The grade established for Blue Hill avenue caused a cut of about 11 feet at the entrance to Back street (now Harvard street) and a temporary connection was made between them; this was done by contract and is not yet entirely completed. The cost will be about \$1,110.

At McLellan street the difference in grade was about 10.5 feet and excavation for a connection has been in progress by the Street Department during the winter; at other intersections, where there are only slight differences in grade, connections will be made by the contractors.

COLUMBUS-AVENUE EXTENSION.

Columbus avenue, from Northampton street to the Roxbury crossing, has been substantially completed. It has an asphalt roadway, from curb to curb, 54 feet in width, with a double-track street railway. The rails used are full-grooved, with both tread and guard on a level with the asphalt surface.

From Northampton street to the southerly line of Terry street, a distance of 3,276 feet, the surface is Trinidad asphalt, laid by the Barber Asphalt Paving Company, the concrete base is generally 6 inches in thickness, but for a part of the length over the deepest mud the thickness was increased to 10 inches. The remainder of the work, 884 feet in length, was laid on a 6-inch concrete base by the Boston Asphalt Company, with imported Sicilian natural rock asphalt. The preparation of the

roadbed was made by the regular force of the Street Department, large quantities of unsuitable material was removed, and 10,987 cubic yards of gravel was delivered by contract and used for grading. A steam-roller was kept in use upon it for several months, and while settlement is apparent in places, the general result is better than could have been reasonably expected, when the very bad character of the ground is taken into account. The edgestones were set and the brick sidewalks laid under the supervision of the Street Department. The price paid for asphalt, including a 6 inch base of American cement concrete, was \$2.90 per square yard for both sections. The section of the avenue from Massachusetts avenue to Northampton street was surfaced with Trinidad asphalt, so that Columbus avenue now has a continuous asphalt surface from the Boston & Albany R.R. bridge to the Roxbury crossing, a distance of 1.5 miles.

The section of the avenue between Roxbury crossing and Stony brook, near Ritchie street, is occupied at present by the contractors for the new conduit for Stony brook, and the surfacing of the street can only be commenced upon the completion of this work, and of the work upon the other sewers, gas and water pipes.

The section between Ritchie street and West Walnut park can be put under contract upon the completion of the underground pipe work, which is in a forward state. The remaining section of the avenue, extending from West Walnut park to Walnut avenue, is nearly completed. It is a Telford macadam roadway with edgestones and brick sidewalks. It was let in one contract. The surplus excavated material was used upon the adjoining section, and the work was carried far enough before it was closed by the weather, to allow the roadway to be kept open during the winter.

It is expected that the avenue can be completed during the working season of 1897.

HUNTINGTON AVENUE.

This avenue extends from Copley square to the Brookline line, a length of 2.25 miles. From Copley square to Francis street, a distance of 1.75 miles, it is 100 feet in width, and is built with a central reserved space 25 feet wide for street cars, two roadways each 25 feet wide and two sidewalks each $12\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide. The remainder of the avenue is 80 feet in width, with one roadway 54 feet in width, with a double track street railway in the centre, built in the usual manner without a special reservation. The sidewalks are each 13 feet wide. Beginning at Copley square the first section .13 of a mile long, to the Boston & Albany R.R. bridge, has Telford macadam roadways and brick sidewalks. This section was built by the regular force of the Street Department. The bridge over the railroad was stripped, cleaned, painted and newly floored above the iron girders. One new girder

was added to carry a new 42-inch water pipe, and in rebuilding, the surface of the bridge was rectified to correspond with the revised grade and cross section of the avenue.

From the bridge to Gainsborough street, a distance of .57 of a mile, the roadways are laid with natural rock asphalt, on a 6-inch American cement concrete base. The grading was done by the regular force of the Street Department. The edgestones and brick sidewalks were laid by contract with materials furnished by the department. The asphalt including base was laid by the Boston Asphalt Company and cost \$2.90 per square yard. The intersection at Massachusetts avenue which has double street railroad tracks on each avenue, connected by eight curves, is paved with granite blocks on gravel. The next section, from Gainsborough to Longwood avenue .78 of a mile in length has Telford macadam roadways and gravel sidewalks; it was built by H. Gore & Co. with materials principally furnished by the Street Department. The remainder of the avenue, .74 of a mile in length has Telford macadam roadways and was built by Doherty & Connors, with materials furnished by the Street Department. A few details remain to be completed upon this avenue and the work done upon it late in the season will require some further attention early in the spring.

The reserved space upon which the street cars run has been loamed, with the intention of seeding it to grass; this work has been done by the West End Street Railway Company which has also done similar work upon Commonwealth-avenue extension and Blue Hill avenue.

BRIGHTON AVENUE.

This avenue extends from Commonwealth avenue to Union square, Allston, a length of .67 of a mile. It is 100 feet wide, with a central loamed reservation 25 feet wide, for street cars, two roadways, the northerly one 30 feet wide, and the southerly one 25 feet wide, and two sidewalks, each 10 feet wide. The roadways are built of Telford macadam, with 10-inch base and 6-inch cracked stone covering, with block stone gutters, edgestones and gravel sidewalks.

The work was done by Doherty & Connors, with materials (except gutter blocks and flagging) furnished by the Street Department. The surplus excavated material was deposited on Commonwealth avenue, near Cottage-Farm bridge. The work of building has been completed, with the exception of repairing such defects as may develop during the winter.

COMMONWEALTH-AVENUE EXTENSION.

The extension of Commonwealth avenue to the Newton line has been so far completed as to be in use during the winter. Some work is yet to be done, and work done late in the season will require attention in the spring. The avenue has been in use

since September. The work of excavation under Neil McBride's contract, let in 1895, was completed early in the year, and large quantities of excellent stone for Telford base and for crushing, including a quantity of the finest trap rock, was quarried and stored on adjoining land, and enough to supply the city's crusher was delivered daily at the Chestnut Hill avenue crusher, near by. Substantially enough stone was quarried and saved to build the roadways and furnish a foundation for the sidewalks. The work of building the avenue was let to John A. Whittemore's Sons, in May, 1896. Block stone for gutters was furnished by the Street Department, and the contractors hauled the stone previously quarried and not required for Telford base to the crusher, and drew crushed stone from the stock there as required. The roadways are built with an 8-inch Telford base and 4-inch crushed stone surface, block stone gutters, without edgestones, and gravel sidewalks, with broken stone foundation.

The width of the avenue at this section is 120 feet. The northerly roadway is 25 feet wide, the southerly roadway 40 feet wide, the reserved and loaned space for street cars is 25 feet wide, and the two sidewalks are each 15 feet wide.

The stone arch which marked the entrance to the Chestnut Hill Driveway was taken down and stored on the grounds of the Water Department by William Miller, at the contract price of \$874. The face wall on the Water Department front on the avenue was rebuilt in its new position at a cost of \$1,684.10. The contracts of both McBride and Whittemore are not yet settled.

The construction of this section completes the connection between Commonwealth avenue in Boston, and Commonwealth avenue in Newton, making a continuous wide avenue extending from the Public Garden in Boston to Charles river on the further boundary of the city of Newton, a distance of 11.14 miles, 5.59 miles of this avenue being in Boston, and 5.55 miles in Newton.

The table showing lengths and areas of paving on accepted streets has been brought up to Feb. 1, 1897.

Street paving has been supervised in all cases where requested. All paving laid on the before-mentioned avenues is included in the quantities given. All granite paving laid on concrete base has been laid with pitch and pebble joints.

Block stone pavement, on a concrete base, laid with pitch and pebble joints, 9,308.9 square yards.

Block stone pavement, on a gravel base, laid with pitch and pebble joints, 5,752 square yards.

Block stone pavement, on a gravel base, laid with gravel joints, 29,046.7 square yards.

Trinidad sheet asphalt, with a binder course of asphaltic cement concrete on an American cement concrete base, 24,782.76 square yards, at a cost of \$2.90 per square yard for large areas, and \$3 per square yard for small areas, not including the preparation of the roadbed.

Sicilian rock asphalt on an American cement concrete base, 26,717.2 square yards, at an average cost of about \$2.90 per

square yard for large areas, and \$3. per square yard for small areas, not including the preparation of the roadbed.

Edgestones set, 107,833 linear feet; gutter paving laid and relaid, 44,823.3 square yards; brick sidewalks laid, 49,314.2 square yards; gravel sidewalks constructed, 43,888.3 square yards; flagging crosswalks laid, 6,044.16 square yards.

All asphalt paving is laid with a maintenance guarantee for five years.

Acton street, Washington street to Bradford street, was paved with $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of Sicilian rock asphalt, on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, by the Boston Asphalt Company. The roadway was subgraded, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by the Street Department. The former surface was macadam, with cobble-stone gutters. One new catch-basin was built on Bradford street, and one square granite catch-basin frame was removed and a cast-iron D frame substituted.

Batterymarch street, Milk street to Liberty square, was paved with 2 inches of Trinidad lake asphalt, with $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch bituminous concrete binder, on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, by the Barber Asphalt Paving Company. The old pavement was removed and the roadway subgraded by the Paving Division. Edgestones were reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by D. J. Kelley. Two square granite catch-basin frames were removed and cast-iron D frames substituted. Former pavement, old granite blocks.

Beach street, Washington street, across Harrison avenue, was paved with large granite blocks on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, with pitch and pebble joints, including tracks of the West End Street Railway Company. The old pavement was barred out and loaded, roadway subgraded, concrete base and paving laid, the edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks were relaid by J. B. O'Rourke. The Street Department furnished teams for carting away old paving blocks and surplus material. The West End Street Railway Company, by agreement, paid for the portion within its tracks. Former pavement, old granite blocks.

Chauncy street, Summer street to Essex street, was paved with large granite blocks on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, with pitch and pebble joints, including the tracks of the West End Street Railway Company. The old pavement was barred out and loaded, roadways graded, concrete base and paving laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by the Metropolitan Construction Company. The Street Department furnished teams for carting away old granite blocks and surplus material. The West End Street Railway Company, by agreement, paid for the portion within its tracks. Former pavement, old granite blocks.

Corning street, Shawmut avenue to Washington street, was resurfaced with Trinidad lake asphalt by the Barber Asphalt

Paving Company. This work was done by the burning process, which consists in heating the old surface of the asphalt, scraping off the dead asphalt, and applying a new wearing surface. The price paid for this work was \$2. per square yard.

Columbus avenue, Massachusetts avenue to Northampton street, was paved by the Barber Asphalt Paving Company with 2 inches of Trinidad lake asphalt, with $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches bituminous concrete binder, on a 6-inch American cement concrete base. The roadway was subgraded by J. J. Sullivan; edgestones were reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by Philip Doherty. Former surface was macadam with block gutters.

Devonshire street, State street to Dock square, was paved with large granite blocks on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, with pitch and pebble joints, including tracks of the West End Street Railway Company. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Concrete base and paving laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by J. B. O'Rourke. The West End Street Railway Company, by agreement, paid for the portion within its tracks. At the Dock-square end of the street, about 100 square yards were repaved on a gravel base temporarily, so that the Boston Transit Commission might readily make certain gas pipe connections. Former pavement, old granite blocks on a gravel base.

Hamburg street, Mystic street to Harrison avenue, was paved with $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of Sicilian rock asphalt on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, by the Boston Asphalt Company. The roadway was subgraded, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid, by the Street Department. Former surface was macadam, with cobble gutters. Two square granite catch-basin frames were removed, and cast-iron D frames substituted.

Hanover street, Tileston street to Charter street, and across Charter street on the north side, was paved with $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of Sicilian rock asphalt on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, by the Boston Asphalt Company. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Edgestones were reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by H. Gore & Co. One square granite catch-basin frame was removed and a cast-iron D frame substituted. Former pavement was old granite blocks on a gravel base.

K street, East Sixth street to East Eighth street, not including tracks of the West End Street Railway Company, was paved with $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of Sicilian rock asphalt on a 6-inch American cement concrete base by the Boston Asphalt Company. The roadway was subgraded by the Street Department. Edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by H. Gore & Co. Former surface was macadam with cobble-stone gutters. The laying of the concrete base and asphalt surface was supervised by the Street Department.

Laconia street, Washington street to Harrison avenue, was

paved with 2 inches of Trinidad Lake asphalt on $1\frac{1}{2}$ -inch bituminous concrete binder, on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, by the Barber Asphalt Paving Company. This street was formerly a private way, with brick sidewalks on either side, and a parkway in the centre with two rows of trees; the usual cross section for a street of this width was modified so as to preserve the best of the trees in the northerly row. The roadway was subgraded, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks laid by the Street Department. Two new catch-basins were built.

Lowell street, Causeway street to Brighton street (including tracks of the West End Street Railway Company and Union Freight Railroad Company), was paved with large granite blocks on a gravel base and bed, with pitch and pebble joints. The old pavement was removed and the roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Block paving was laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by D. J. Kiley & Co. By agreement, the West End Street Railway Company and the Union Freight Railroad Company paid for the portion within their tracks. Three granite catch-basin frames were removed and cast-iron D frames substituted. Former pavement, old granite blocks on a gravel base.

Meander street, Malden street to East Dedham street, was paved with $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of Sicilian rock asphalt on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, by the Boston Asphalt Company. The roadway was subgraded, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by the Street Department. Two square granite catch-basin frames were removed and cast-iron D frames substituted. Former pavement, cobble stones on gravel base.

Milk street, Oliver street to India street, was paved with large granite blocks on a 6-inch American cement concrete base. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Concrete base and paving was laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by Jones & Meehan. Four square granite catch-basin frames were removed and cast-iron D frames substituted. Former pavement, old granite blocks on a gravel base.

Mystic street, Malden street to East Brookline street, was paved with $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of Sicilian rock asphalt, on a 6-inch American cement concrete base by the Boston Asphalt Company. The old pavement was removed, roadway subgraded, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by the Paving Division. Four new catch-basins were built. Former pavement was 12-inch square granite blocks on gravel base, between Malden and East Canton streets, and macadam between East Canton and East Brookline streets.

North street, Merchants row to Blackstone street, was paved with large granite blocks on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, with pitch and pebble joints. The old pavement was barred out and loaded, roadway subgraded, concrete base and paving laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks

relaid by the Metropolitan Construction Company. The Street Department furnished teams for carting away old blocks and surplus excavation. Two granite catch-basin frames were removed and cast-iron D frames substituted. Former pavement, old granite blocks on a gravel base.

Norwich street, Mystic street to Meander street, was paved with $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of Sicilian rock asphalt on a 6-inch American cement concrete base by the Boston Asphalt Company. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded, edgestones reset, and brick sidewalks relaid by the Street Department. Two square granite catch-basin frames were removed and cast-iron D frames substituted. Former pavement, cobble stones on gravel base.

Ohio street, Washington street to Shawmut avenue, was paved with $2\frac{1}{2}$ inches of Sicilian rock asphalt on a 6-inch American cement concrete base by the Boston Asphalt Company. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by the Street Department. Former pavement, old granite blocks on gravel base.

Pine street, Washington street to Harrison avenue, was paved with 2 inches of Trinidad Lake asphalt, with $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches bituminous concrete binder on a 6-inch American cement concrete base by the Barber Asphalt Paving Company. The roadways were subgraded, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by the Street Department. One new catch-basin was built, and one square granite catch basin frame was removed and a cast-iron D frame substituted. Former pavement was macadam with block gutters.

St. Martin street, Bunker Hill street to Medford street, is about 533 feet long, with a difference in level between the above-named streets of 55 feet; from Medford street it rises at the rate of 14.34 feet per 100 for 170 feet; from this point five flights of artificial stone steps and platforms, 61 feet long and rising 25.8 feet, were built by Simpson Bros., at a cost of \$2,811.20. Iron hand rails and fences were built by G. T. McLauthlin & Co., at a cost of \$310. The excavation was made and foundations prepared by the Street Department. The portion of the street 170 feet from Medford street is to be constructed with a macadam roadway, granite block gutters, edgestones and brick sidewalks. The work of constructing the street was not very far advanced at the end of the working season.

Taylor street, Dwight street to Milford street, was paved with Sicilian rock asphalt on the existing concrete base, by the Boston Asphalt Company. Two granite catch-basin frames were removed and cast-iron D frames substituted. Former pavement was Trinidad lake asphalt. The laying of the asphalt was supervised by the Street Department.

Water street, Liberty square to Broad street, was paved with 2 inches Trinidad Lake asphalt, with $1\frac{1}{2}$ inches bituminous

concrete binder, on a 6-inch American cement concrete base by the Barber Asphalt Paving Company. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by D. J. Kiley. Former pavement, old granite blocks on a gravel base.

Winter street, Tremont street to Washington street, was paved with special cut granite blocks on a 6-inch American cement concrete base, with pitch and pebble joints. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Concrete base and paving laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by H. Gore & Co. Former pavement, old granite blocks on a gravel base.

NEW STREETS.

The following streets were constructed under chapter 323 of the Acts of the Legislature of Massachusetts of 1891, and Acts in amendment thereof or in addition thereto:—

Abbotsford street, Walnut avenue to Harold street, is about 599 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Quimby & Ferguson. Work was begun June 16, 1896, and completed Aug. 29, 1896, at a total cost of \$1,864.03. It is a 6-inch macadam road with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone, gutter blocks and edgestones were furnished by the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractors. Flagging for crosswalks was furnished by the contractors.

Audubon road, Beacon street across Ivy street, is about 315 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to William Scollans. Work was begun June 29, 1896, and completed Sept. 10, 1896, at a total cost of \$5,813.83. This street is 100 feet wide; it has a 60 foot roadway, two brick sidewalks 10 feet wide, and a planting space on either side between the sidewalk and roadway. The roadway is Telford macadam (8 inches and 4 inches respectively) with granite block gutters. Telford stone, crushed stone, edgestone and gutter blocks were furnished by the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor. Bricks, loam and flagging for crosswalks were furnished by the contractor.

Bay State road, Sherborn street to Granby street, is about 795 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Quimby & Ferguson. Work was begun May 4, 1896, and completed Sept. 11, 1896, at a cost of \$3,749.02. It is a 6-inch macadam road with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone and edgestones were furnished by the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor. Gutter blocks and flagging for crosswalks were furnished by the contractor.

Boylston street extension, Boylston road to Brookline avenue, is about 2,070 feet long. The work of filling to sub-

grade was begun in 1894, and completed on April 27, 1895, at a cost of \$47,819.37. The contractor was John O'Brien. A contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Neil McBride. Work was begun Oct. 20, 1896, and is still incomplete. It is a 6-inch macadam road, with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone and edgestones are furnished by the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor. Gutter blocks are furnished and delivered on the street by the city. Flagging for crosswalks was furnished by the contractor. Before the cold weather stopped work the contractor had set all the edgestones, paved the gutters and placed nearly all the crushed stone. During the winter, as the weather permitted, he has been hauling in gravel to fill out the slopes.

Clinton street, Fulton street to Commercial street, is about 187 feet long. This street was widened 30 feet on the northerly side; it is now 70 feet wide. For taking down a building at the corner of Fulton street and removing old area and party walls, the sum of \$643.05 was paid to A. A. Elston & Co. The old pavement was barred out and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. The order for construction required granite block paving on a concrete base, with pitch joints, but, as it is intended to build part of an outfall sewer in the street, the roadway was paved temporarily with granite blocks on a gravel base. The granite block paving was laid, edgestones set, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by Dennis J. Kiley & Co.

Fenelon street, Washington street to Merrill street, is about 324 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Daniel E. Lynch. Work was begun Oct. 19, 1896, and was continued as long as the weather permitted; it is very nearly completed. The street has a 6-inch macadam road, with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone, gutter blocks and edgestones were furnished by the city, and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor. Flagging for crosswalks was furnished by the contractor.

Geneva avenue, Westville street to Dorchester avenue, is about 2,137 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Finneran & O'Hearn. Work was commenced Nov. 13, 1896, and was continued as long as the weather permitted. It is a 6-inch macadam road, with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone and edgestones are furnished by the city, and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor; gutter blocks are furnished and delivered on the street by the city; flagging for crosswalks is furnished by the contractor. The street is practically finished for a distance of about 600 feet.

Granby street, Commonwealth avenue to Charles river, is about 439 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Quimby & Ferguson. Work was begun May 8, 1896, and completed Sept. 11, 1896, at a cost of \$2,203.22. It is a 6-inch macadam road, with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone and edgestones were furnished by the city, and

hauled to the site of the work by the contractor; gutter blocks and flagging for crosswalks were furnished by the contractor. A contract for furnishing and setting a cap stone on the sea wall at Charles river was awarded to Trumbull & Ryan; capstone, 64 feet long, cost \$320.00. Another contract for furnishing and erecting an iron fence on the above capstone was awarded George T. McLauthlin & Co. for \$110.00.

Greenbrier street, Bowdoin street to Bloomfield street, is about 700 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Quimby & Ferguson. Work was begun June 16, 1896, and completed Oct. 8, 1896, at a cost of \$2,797.05. It is a 6-inch macadam road with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone and edgestones were furnished by the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor; gutter blocks and flagging for crosswalks were furnished by the contractor.

Josephine street, Geneva avenue to Ditson street, is about 627 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to J. J. Nawn. Work was begun June 4, 1896, and completed Oct. 16, 1896, at a cost of \$1,888.66. It is a 4-inch macadam road. Gravel sidewalks were ordered to be built, but on account of a petition from the abutters, a granolithic sidewalk and edgestone was laid, except in front of two lots. Crushed stone and edgestones were furnished by the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor. Gutter blocks and flagging for crosswalks were furnished by the contractor.

Lauriat avenue, Blue Hill avenue to Tucker street, is about 3,160 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Doherty & Connors; work was begun Oct. 5, 1896, and was continued as long as the weather permitted. It is a 6-inch macadam road with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone, gutter blocks and edgestones are furnished by the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor; flagging for crosswalks is furnished by the contractor. This street is practically finished for a distance of about 1,950 feet.

Morse street, Washington street to Bowdoin avenue, is about 223 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Daniel E. Lynch. Work was begun Oct. 12, 1896, and was continued as long as the weather permitted; it is nearly completed. This street has a 6-inch macadam road with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone, gutter blocks and edgestones were furnished by the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor; flagging for crosswalks was furnished by the contractor.

St. Alphonsus street, Tremont street to Calumet street, is about 720 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Quimby & Ferguson. Work was begun June 24, 1896, and completed Oct. 10, 1896, at a cost of \$3,608.62. It is a 6-inch macadam road with gravel sidewalks. Crushed stone, gutter blocks and edgestones were furnished by

the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor; flagging for crosswalks was furnished by the contractor. The above contract includes building about 187 feet of retaining-wall, average height about 7.5 feet.

Wilder street, Washington street to Geneva avenue, is about 539 feet long. The contract for constructing the surface of this street was awarded to Finneran & O'Hearn. Work was begun Oct. 5, 1896, and was practically finished Nov. 28, 1896; a small amount of work remains to be done to finish the surface of the roadway. It is a 6-inch macadam roadway. Gravel sidewalks were ordered to be built, but at the request of the owner of abutting land they were omitted, so as to allow him to lay granolithic next season. Crushed stone, gutter blocks and edge-stones were furnished by the city and hauled to the site of the work by the contractor; flagging for crosswalks was furnished by the contractor.

Streets were filled to subgrade, by the Metropolitan Construction Company, as follows:—

Norway street, from Massachusetts avenue to Parker street, 2,541 cubic yards, at 50 cents = \$1,270.50.

Ruggles street, from Parker street to Back Bay Fens, 7,496 cubic yards, at 65 cents = \$4,872.40

Turner street, from Haviland to Astor streets, 2,380 cubic yards, at 50 cents = \$1,190.

Vancouver street, from Huntington avenue to Ruggles street, 1,444.6 cubic yards, at 65 cents = \$938.99.

Peterborough street, Boylston road to Audubon road, is about 1,833 feet long. A contract for filling this street to subgrade was made with the Boston & Albany Railroad Company, on Oct. 30, 1896, at the rate of 51 cents per cubic yard measured in the cut. Work was begun under this contract Dec. 2, 1896.

GRADING STREET RAILWAY TRACKS.

The grades for tracks in the following streets have been determined. On streets marked * the surveys were made and levels taken by the companies.

(*West End Street Railway.*)

Alford street, from Malden Bridge to the Everett line.

Amory street, Roxbury, from Centre street to the car house.

Beach street, from Washington street across Harrison avenue.

Beacon street, from Massachusetts avenue to Deerfield street.

Blue Hill Avenue, from Washington street to 1,200 feet south of Back street.

Centre street, Roxbury, at Linwood street.

Centre street, Roxbury, from Columbus-avenue extension to near Wise street.

Chauncy street, from Summer street to Essex street.

* **Chestnut Hill avenue**, from Commonwealth avenue to Sutherland road.

Columbus avenue, from Massachusetts avenue to Roxbury Crossing.

Columbus avenue, from West Walnut Park to Washington street.

Commonwealth-avenue extension, from Chestnut Hill avenue to the Newton line.

Devonshire street, from State street to Dock square.

Dorchester avenue, from West First street to West Seventh street.

East Eighth street, from Dorchester street to Mercer street.

East Sixth street, from L street to N street.

Essex street, from Washington street to Harrison avenue.

Hanover street, from Tileston street to Charter street.

Huntington avenue, from Dartmouth street to the Brookline line.

K street, from East Sixth street to East Eighth street.

Main street, Charlestown, from City square to Pleasant street.

Main street, Charlestown, from Wood street to School street.

* **Market street, Brighton**, from Western avenue to Washington street.

* **Massachusetts avenue**, from Boylston street to Huntington avenue.

* **Roxbury street**, from Pynchon street to Eliot square.

Summer street, East Boston, from Orleans street to Webster street.

Tremont street, from Columbus avenue to Vernon street.

Tremont street, Brighton, from Oak square to Newton line.

Washington street, from Elm street to Haymarket square. †

Washington street, Roxbury, from Vernon street to Warren street.

* **Western avenue**, from Charles river in Cambridge to Market street.

West Fourth street, at Dorchester avenue.

(*West Roxbury and Roslindale Street Railway Company.*)

* **Beech street**, from Centre street to Belgrade avenue.

* **Brandon street**, from Amherst street to South street.

* **Centre street**, from Beech street to Alarie street.

* **South street**, from Brandon street to Washington street.

* **Washington street**, from Forest Hill station to the Dedham line.

† Survey by the Boston Transit Commission.

Total length of single track grades, 29.4 miles.

Surveys and plans were made for work upon the following streets and grades and lines given. The work of construction was supervised by the Street Department:—

Albany street, from Massachusetts avenue toward East Concord street, was repaved with granite blocks on a gravel base, on account of the paving of Massachusetts avenue, between Albany street and Swett street, and raising it to the established grade. The old paving was barred out and bed prepared by the Street Department. The roadway was repaved, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by Doherty & Connors.

Arlington street, from Boylston street to Marlborough street, was resurfaced with macadam by the Street Department. Gutters relaid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by James Grant & Co.

Ashland street, from Chambers street to Leverett street, was paved with large granite blocks on a gravel base. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Granite block paving was laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by D. J. Kiley. Former pavement was cobble stones.

City Hall avenue, a footway from School street to Court square, was paved with Hastings asphalt blocks on a gravel bed, blocks were laid on their broadest faces by H. Gore & Co. The old pavement was removed, walk subgraded and bed furnished and placed by the Paving Division. Blocks were furnished by H. Gore & Co. Former surface was brick on gravel base.

Commonwealth avenue, from Cottage-Farm bridge to Warren street. Lines and grades were given and work measured, east and west of Cottage-Farm bridge and between Harvard avenue and Allston street.

D street, from West First street to West Third street, was paved with large granite blocks on a gravel base. The roadway was subgraded by the Paving Division. Granite block paving was laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by H. Gore & Co. Former surface was macadam.

Dorchester avenue, from West First street to West Seventh street, was repaved with large granite blocks on a gravel base. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Granite block paving was laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by H. Gore & Co. Former pavement, old granite blocks on granite base.

East Eighth street, from Dorchester street to Mercer street (on southerly side between edgestone and car track), was paved with large granite blocks on a gravel base. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Granite block paving was laid by H. Gore & Co. Former pavement was old granite blocks on gravel base.

East Sixth street, from L street to N street, was paved with large granite blocks on a gravel base. The roadway was sub-

graded in part by the Street Department and in part by H. Gore & Co. Granite block paving was laid, edgestones reset, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks relaid by H. Gore & Co. Former surface was macadam with cobble-stone gutters.

Eustis street, from Hampden street to Magazine street, was resurfaced with macadam by the Street Department. Cobble-stone gutters were relaid, edgestones reset, and brick sidewalks relaid (including excavation) by C. E. Barnes.

Massachusetts avenue, from Albany street to Swett street, was paved with large granite blocks on a gravel base. The roadway was subgraded by the Street Department. Granite block paving was laid, edgestones set and flagging crosswalks laid by Doherty & Connors. Five new catch-basins were built. Former surface was macadam.

Tremont street, from Columbus avenue to Prentiss street (on northerly side), was repaved with large granite blocks on a gravel base. The old pavement was removed and roadway subgraded by the Street Department. Granite block paving, brick sidewalks and flagging crosswalks were relaid, and edgestones reset by Jones & Meehan. Former pavement was old granite blocks on gravel base.

MISCELLANEOUS WORK.

Chestnut Hill Reservoir Archway. Specifications were prepared, and a contract made with W. L. Miller for taking down this archway. All stones were lettered and numbered, and a plan showing such numbering is on file in the office of the City Engineer. Cost of work was \$874.

Commonwealth-avenue Speedway. A plan and details for swing-gates for either end of the speedway was made.

Commonwealth-avenue ledge. Plans of cross sections of ledge, for measurement of stone removed. This stone was used in the construction of Brighton avenue, Bay State road, Granby, Boylston and other streets; also plan of ledge showing outlines Oct. 1, 1895, and Dec. 5, 1896, and positions of camera when photographs of the face of the ledge were taken Dec. 10 and 11, 1896.

Boylston street, from Exeter street to Hereford street. Plan and estimate for fence.

Hawthorn gravel bank (Brookline), plan and cross sections of bank for gravel used in filling Columbus-avenue extension and Huntington-avenue widening,

Livermore gravel bank (Roxbury), plan and cross sections of bank for gravel used in filling Columbus-avenue extension.

Ruggles street, under bridge of Providence Division, New York, New Haven & Hartford R.R. Plans, elevations, sections and details of elevated sidewalk.

Surveys, plans and estimates for improving and paving the following streets have been made:—

Alford street (Charlestown), from Malden bridge to the Everett line.

Essex street, from South street to Federal street.

Milk street, from Pearl street to Kilby street.

Washington street, from Marvin street to Warren street.

Essex-street bridge. A contract was made Oct. 14, 1896, with William S. Rendle for rebuilding the upper part of this bridge and doing other work in connection therewith. The total cost of the work was \$7,038.95.

Meridian-street bridge. Specifications were made for rebuilding the trusses of the draw, and a contract for doing the work was made April 11 with W. H. Ellis & Co.; the timber used in the trusses was furnished by the city. The cost of the contract work was \$2,025.96.

Winthrop bridge. The sidewalk and sidewalk bulkhead were rebuilt for about three-quarters of their length, and repairs were made to ten bents of piles; the work was done by J. N. Hayes & Co., and was completed March 10, 1896, at a cost for contract work of \$1,519.92.

Huntington-avenue bridge. (Over Boston & Albany R.R.) During the past year the flooring of the bridge has been entirely rebuilt and made to conform to the new grade; parapets were raised and new asphalt sidewalks built. The old girder on the centre line of the westerly sidewalk was moved to the easterly sidewalk and two new plate girders put in under the westerly sidewalk. This change was made necessary because of the new 42-inch water-pipe which was carried across the bridge on the westerly side. The girders were built by the Boston Bridge Works under a contract dated Nov. 9, 1895, and the work of moving the old girder was done by the same company; the total cost being \$2,646.99. The contract for the woodwork and for the changes in stonework was made with W. L. Miller, dated April 11, 1896, and amounted to \$3,097.28. The sidewalks were built by the Boston Asphalt Company, at a cost of \$635.25. The cleaning and painting of the girders was done by the Bridge Division of the Street Department.

Cottage-Farm bridge. During the early part of the year the northerly roadway was completed; the 20-inch steel beams being placed in position by A. C. Richmond; the bricks, the skewbacks and concrete being furnished by the city, and put in place by the Metropolitan Construction Co. A Sicilian rock asphalt wearing surface was put on the roadway by the Boston Asphalt Co.

On the completion of the northerly roadway travel was turned on that side of the bridge July 9, and the old wooden bridge and the two iron girders supporting the water and gas pipes were removed.

New parapets and bearing blocks were furnished by the Cape Ann Granite Co., and set in position on the old bridge seats on the southerly section of the bridge.

Slight extensions were made to the easterly end of the north

abutment and middle pier, the work being done by A. C. Richmond.

The 20-inch steel beams were furnished by Page, Newell & Co., and placed in position by A. C. Richmond. The lead coverings for the steel beams were furnished by E. B. Badger & Sons. The bricks, skewbacks and concrete arches between the beams were set by the Metropolitan Construction Co., the materials being furnished by the city. The asphalt surface was put on by the Boston Asphalt Co.

The two iron girders on the easterly side of the bridge, and the sidewalk floor beams connected to them were furnished in place by the Boston Bridge Works.

Granolithic sidewalks were laid on this section of the bridge by Simpson Brothers, of Boston.

A central way between the car tracks, $13\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide and 5 inches above the roadway was built, upon which are placed two gaspipes and one waterpipe.

Travel was turned over this part of the bridge late in the fall and the bridge is practically completed with the exception of the sidewalk on the northerly section, and the placing of fence rails on the main girders.

EAST BOSTON FERRIES.

A report was made Aug. 5, 1896, on the condition of the slips, drops and tanks of the East Boston Ferries.

South Ferry, Boston side. Plans and specifications were made for repairing the outer end of the middle pier, and the work was done by W. H. Ellis & Co., under contract dated Oct. 8, 1896, at a cost of \$1,802.15.

New drops. A contract was made Sept. 16, 1896, with William McKie, to build three new drops to replace three old ones; the old drops to be the property of the contractor, the tanks and machinery to remain the property of the city. The contract price was \$14,718; they were placed at the northerly landing of the North Ferry, East Boston side; at the northerly landing of the South Ferry, Boston side, and at the southerly landing of the North Ferry, Boston side. These drops were respectively put in use at the following dates: November 23, Dec. 7, 1896, and Jan. 26, 1897.

New tanks. Two new tanks were built by J. M. Brooks, and were used under the new drops at the East Boston landing of the North ferry, and at the Boston landing of the South ferry. The contract price was \$3,500.

Awning at the North Ferry, East Boston. Plans and specifications were made for an awning over the sidewalk in front of the head-house at the North Ferry, East Boston; the work was done by W. H. Ellis & Co., at a cost for contract work of \$698.64.

Yours respectfully,

WILLIAM JACKSON,
City Engineer.

APPENDIX I.

REPORT OF THE CHIEF SMOKE INSPECTOR.

28 COURT SQUARE, BOSTON, Feb. 1, 1897.

BENJ. W. WELLS, ESQ., *Superintendent of Streets* :

SIR: I herewith submit a report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1897, of the work done under chapter 389, Acts of 1895, entitled, "An Act to Abate the Smoke Nuisance in the city of Boston."

This law has been in operation since July, 1895, and those who have not followed the matter closely are not aware of the progress which has been made by its enforcement. Reforms have been accomplished, particularly in the business section, not alone by the adoption of smoke devices, but by a more careful method of stoking, and in some cases a change of fuel.

If smoke could be abated only by entailing an added expense, it would no doubt be found difficult to enforce the law; but a device used for the suppression of smoke, not only abates the smoke nuisance, but invariably shows an absolute economy of fuel, as it promotes combustion, and prevents before they can be utilized the escape of valuable gases for heating purposes to produce steam.

Following the passage of this law in 1895, a large number of owners or representatives of boiler plants who were likely to become amenable to the law, were waited upon and informed that this department intended to strictly enforce the regulations authorized by its provisions. The enactment clause of the law relating to the emission of smoke for more than five minutes being particularly called to their attention.

The observers, of which there are two, were instructed to keep a close watch, particularly in the business section, and to take short observations of 1, 2 and 3 firings. The necessity for a constant watch in the business section may be accounted for by the fact, that even the emission of a small quantity of smoke, due to various causes, destroys, for the time-being, valuable property.

When a chimney was found emitting an unwarranted amount of smoke the owner's attention was at once called to it, and immediate action suggested.

Some of these required time and patience, particularly where devices were attached, owing to the delays occasioned in the

selection of a proper smoke preventer. Generally we have found a disposition to abate the existing evil.

These short observations have been taken by the observers as they go over the several districts from day to day, and serve to keep the office informed of the condition of the various plants throughout the city.

Other observations have been made at the request of boiler-plant owners, who, having equipped their plant with a smoke consuming device, desired the city to inform them if the same was acceptable and complying with the law. These latter observations, lasting from eight to nine hours, with reports, are on file.

When a request for inspection is received from a boiler-plant owner, arrangements are made to take two observations, averaging from eight to nine hours, so as to cover the actual working time of the boilers.

The first observation is taken without the knowledge of any one connected with the plant, to show the results when the plant is being run under every day conditions. Another observation is later taken, the owners being previously notified; this affords them an opportunity to be exceedingly careful in their stoking and manipulation of the device.

It would seem that with a knowledge of the fact that the chimney is being watched, and with the stoker using his best efforts to show the best possible results, that this would obtain in this latter set of observations; but it is frequently the case, that the observation, taken without their knowledge, shows the better results.

These observations show the interval in minutes and seconds of the various grades of smoke; also the interval of clear stack. This is followed by a summary, showing the total time of the observation, total time of the various grades of smoke and also the percentage. A report accompanies these observations showing the number of boilers connected with the plant, the amount and nature of the work exacted from the same, the coal consumption, etc., to complete which takes from five to seven days.

A better idea may be obtained from the table herewith given. This shows an observation taken without the knowledge of any one connected with the plant, the boilers being equipped with a smoke preventer. A summary is also given of the observation taken with their knowledge on the same plant.

TIME OF FIRING.	SMOKE.						Clear Stack.	Interval.
	Dark or Thick Gray.	Interval.	Light.	Interval.	Very Light.	Interval.		
8.05.00.....			8.05.30	.30	8.05.50	.20	8.05.50	.30
8.06.20.....	8.06.25	.05	8.07.00	.35	8.07.40	.40		
8.07.40.....	8.08.00	.20	8.08.20	.20	8.08.50	.30	8.08.50	4.40
8.13.30.....	8.13.40	.10	8.13.55	.15	8.14.40	.45	8.14.40	22.00
8.36.40.....			8.37.30	.50				
8.37.30.....	8.37.40	.10	8.38.10	.30	8.39.00	.50	8.39.00	9.00
8.48.00.....					8.48.30	.30	8.48.30	6.40
8.55.10.....			8.55.50	.40	8.56.00	.10	8.56.00	4.30
9.00.20.....			9.01.10	.40	9.01.30	.20	9.01.30	3.00
9.04.30.....	9.04.50	.20	9.05.20	.30	9.05.40	.20	9.05.40	17.20
9.23.00.....					9.23.40	.40	9.23.40	19.20
9.43.00.....			9.43.30	.30	9.43.40	.10	9.43.40	.20
9.44.00.....					9.44.20	.20	9.44.20	.20
9.44.40.....			9.45.10	.30	9.45.30	.20	9.45.30	.30
9.46.00.....			9.46.10	.10	9.46.20	.10	9.46.20	4.10
9.50.30.....					9.51.10	.40	9.51.10	1.50
9.53.00.....			9.53.20	.20	9.53.30	.10	9.53.30	5.10
9.58.40.....	9.58.50	.10	9.59.20	.30	9.59.30	.10	9.59.30	6.40
10.06.10.....	10.06.20	.10	10.07.10	.50	10.07.30	.20	10.07.30	18.30
10.26.00.....			10.27.00	1.00	10.27.30	.30	10.27.30	1.30
10.29.00.....					10.29.10	.10	10.29.10	2.30
10.31.40.....			10.32.00	.20	10.38.20	.20	10.38.20	5.00
10.37.20.....	10.37.30	.10	10.38.00	.30	10.38.20	.20	10.38.20	1.20
10.39.40.....			10.40.00	.20	10.40.30	.30	10.40.30	3.50
10.44.20.....			10.44.40	.20	10.44.50	.10	10.44.50	3.40
10.48.30.....			10.49.00	.30	10.49.10	.10	10.49.10	3.50
10.53.00.....			10.53.30	.30	10.53.50	.20	10.53.50	1.20
10.55.10.....	10.55.20	.10	10.55.40	.20	10.56.00	.20	10.56.00	16.20
11.12.20.....			11.12.40	.20	11.12.50	.10	11.12.50	5.40
11.18.30.....					11.18.50	.20	11.18.50	1.40
11.20.30.....			11.20.50	.20	11.21.10	.20	11.21.10	8.20
11.29.30.....	11.29.50	.20	11.30.10	.20	11.30.20	.10	11.30.20	1.50
11.32.10.....	11.32.20	.10	11.32.30	.10	11.32.50	.20	11.32.50	15.10
11.48.00.....	11.48.20	.20	11.48.40	.20	11.49.30	.50	11.49.30	4.30
11.54.00.....			11.54.20	.20				
11.54.20.....	11.54.30	.10			11.54.50	.20	11.54.50	.30
11.55.20.....	11.55.40	.20			11.56.00	.20	11.56.00	4.20
12.00.20.....	12.00.30	.10	12.00.50	.20	12.01.00	.10	12.01.00	17.30
12.18.30.....			12.18.50	.20	12.19.20	.30	12.19.20	.40
12.20.00.....	12.20.10	.10	12.20.30	.20	12.21.00	.30	12.21.00	3.50
12.24.50.....	12.25.10	.20	12.25.30	.20	12.26.00	.30	12.26.00	5.30
12.31.30.....			12.32.10	.40	12.32.45	.35	12.32.45	.30
12.33.15.....			12.34.00	.45	12.34.20	.20		
12.34.20.....			12.34.30	.10	12.35.00	.30	12.35.00	.10
12.35.10.....	12.35.20	.10	12.35.40	.20	12.36.00	.20	12.36.00	.55
12.36.55.....	12.37.05	.10	12.37.15	.10	12.37.20	.05	12.37.20	2.20
12.39.40.....	12.40.00	.20	12.40.20	.20	12.40.30	.10	12.40.30	2.00
12.42.30.....	12.43.00	.30	12.44.00	1.00	12.44.10	.10	12.44.10	.55
12.45.05.....	12.45.15	.10	12.45.20	.05	12.45.35	.15	12.45.35	2.55
12.48.30.....			12.49.00	.30	12.49.15	.15	12.49.15	1.15
12.50.30.....	12.50.45	.15	12.51.00	.15	12.51.10	.10	12.51.10	.35
12.51.45.....	12.52.20	.35	12.52.30	.10	12.52.40	.10	12.52.40	1.05
12.53.45.....	12.54.10	.25	12.54.20	.10	12.54.25	.05	12.54.25	15.35
1.10.00.....	1.10.20	.20	1.10.30	.10	1.10.40	.10	1.10.40	1.50
1.12.30.....	1.12.45	.15	1.13.10	.25	1.13.20	.10	1.13.20	.40
1.14.00.....	1.14.20	.20	1.15.00	.40	1.15.15	.15	1.15.15	6.05
1.21.20.....			1.21.30	.10	1.22.00	.30	1.22.00	8.05
1.30.05.....	1.30.55	.50	1.32.00	1.05	1.32.30	.30	1.32.30	.15
1.32.45.....			1.33.30	.45	1.33.45	.15	1.33.45	7.40
1.41.25.....			1.41.50	.25	1.42.30	.40	1.42.30	2.30
1.45.00.....			1.45.30	.30	1.46.00	.30	1.46.00	2.30
1.48.30.....			1.49.10	.40	1.49.30	.20	1.49.30	1.00
1.50.30.....	1.51.20	.50	1.52.20	1.00	1.53.00	.40	1.53.00	1.30
1.54.30.....			1.55.00	.30	1.55.15	.15		
1.55.15.....	1.55.50	.35	1.56.45	.55	1.57.00	.15	1.57.00	4.55
2.01.55.....	2.02.10	.15	2.02.40	.30	2.03.00	.20	2.03.00	5.15
2.08.15.....			2.08.45	.30	2.09.00	.15	2.09.00	1.10
2.10.10.....	2.10.55	.45	2.11.20	.25	2.11.45	.25	2.11.45	9.35
2.21.20.....			2.21.35	.15	2.22.00	.25	2.22.00	1.45

TIME OF FIRING.	SMOKE.						Clear Stack.	Interval.
	Dark or Thick Gray.	Interval.	Light.	Interval.	Very Light.	Interval.		
2.23.45.....			2.24.10	.25	2.24.20	.10	2.24.20	3.10
2.27.30.....			2.28.20	.50	2.28.30	.10	2.28.30	2.35
2.31.05.....	2.31.10	.05	2.31.20	.10	2.32.00	.40	2.32.00	13.20
2.45.20.....					2.46.10	.50	2.46.10	.10
2.46.20.....	2.46.25	.05	2.46.40	.15	2.46.45	.05	2.46.45	9.25
2.56.10.....	2.46.50	.40	2.57.10	.20	2.57.20	.10	2.57.20	.50
2.58.10.....			2.58.40	.30	2.59.10	.30		
2.59.10.....	2.59.25	.15	2.59.35	.10	2.59.45	.10	2.59.45	1.45
3.01.30.....			3.01.40	.10	3.02.00	.20	3.02.00	2.50
3.04.50.....	3.04.55	.05	3.05.20	.25	3.05.30	.10	3.05.30	8.30
3.14.00.....			3.14.30	.30				
3.14.30.....	3.14.45	.15	3.14.50	.05	3.15.00	.10	3.15.00	1.05
3.16.05.....			3.16.30	.25	3.16.40	.10	3.16.40	5.50
3.22.30.....			3.22.50	.20	3.23.10	.20	3.23.10	.30
3.23.40.....	3.23.50	.10	3.24.00	.10	3.24.10	.10	3.24.10	.20
3.24.30.....	3.25.00	.30	3.25.10	.10				
3.25.10.....	3.26.15	1.05	3.26.30	.15	3.26.45	.15	3.26.45	2.40
3.29.25.....	3.29.40	.15	3.29.55	.15	3.30.10	.15	3.30.10	2.40
3.32.50.....	3.33.00	.10	3.33.10	.10	3.33.30	.20	3.33.30	2.40
3.36.10.....			3.36.40	.30	3.36.50	.10	3.36.50	3.10
3.40.00.....	3.40.10	.10	3.40.30	.20	3.40.45	.15	3.40.45	2.15
3.43.00.....	3.43.10	.10	3.43.20	.10	3.43.30	.10	3.43.30	10.50
3.54.20.....			3.55.00	.40	3.55.15	.15	3.55.15	8.15
4.03.30.....	4.03.40	.10	4.03.45	.05	4.03.50	.05	4.03.50	14.20
4.18.10.....			4.18.55	.45	4.19.10	.15	4.19.10	5.20
4.24.30.....			4.25.10	.40	4.25.50	.40	4.25.50	3.30
4.29.20.....	4.29.25	.05	4.29.40	.15	4.29.50	.10	4.29.50	4.15
4.34.05.....			4.34.20	.15				
4.34.20.....	4.34.35	.15	4.34.45	.10	4.35.10	.25	4.35.10	1.45
4.36.55.....	4.37.20	.25	4.37.45	.25	4.38.10	.25	4.38.10	.20
4.38.30.....	4.39.05	.35	4.39.30	.25	4.39.45	.15	4.39.45	2.35
4.42.20.....			4.42.45	.25	4.43.10	.25	4.43.10	
		15.55		38.50		32.10		7.11.15

Summary.

	Dark or Thick Gray.	Light.	Very Light.	Clear.
	m. s.	m. s.	m. s.	h. m. s.
Time	15 55	38 50	32 10	7 11 15
Per cent.....	3.1	7.5	6.2	83.2

	H.	M.	S.
Total time of observation	8	38	10
“ time of smoke	1	26	55
“ smoke		16.8	per cent
Dark or thick gray smoke		3.1	“
Total number of firings, etc.	101		
Average time between each firing		5	minutes.

Summary of Observation taken with their Knowledge.

	Dark or Thick Gray.	Light.	Very Light.	Clear.
	m. s.	m. s.	m. s.	h. m. s.
Time	20 55	47 15	38 50	6 51 50
Per cent.....	4.0	9.1	7.5	79.4

	H.	M.	S.
Total time of observation	8	38	50
“ time of smoke	1	47	0
“ smoke	20.6 per cent.		
Dark or thick gray smoke	4.	“	
Total number of firings, etc.	135		
Average time between each firing	4 minutes.		

I had, during the past two years, occasion to call and see the owners or managers of a large number of boiler plants throughout the city, and while it may seem strange, yet it is a fact, that quite a large number know little or nothing concerning their boiler plant, depending almost entirely on their engineer; and the engineer seeing the necessity for a change which would be beneficial, makes recommendations which are immediately set aside, if involving any expense.

When owners of steam plants fully realize that the maintaining of a smoke nuisance entails an actual money loss, then, and only then, will suggestions from those in charge be considered.

There are a number of boiler plants in this city where the boilers at times are being worked far beyond their rated capacity, and emitting smoke to the detriment of their neighbors. These parties do little, if any, damage to their own property, but the smoke and soot are entering the doors and windows of neighbors, destroying goods, the value of which would aggregate many thousands of dollars.

While these plants are not flagrantly violating the law, and the department has frequently called their attention to the necessity of a change, and as their neighbors refuse to complain, the owner as a rule is unwilling to go to any expense, especially if he sees a chimney near by, that in his judgment smokes worse.

The engineer is well aware of these conditions, but finds himself handicapped, on account of refusal of owner to properly equip the plant.

When a recommendation is received from an engineer to equip a plant with a device such as will increase the boiler capacity, the first cost is in most cases considered excessive; but if owners would only estimate the financial returns, aside from the knowledge, that as public-spirited citizens each had done his

share, not alone towards complying with the law, but also towards reducing his smoke emission to a minimum, better general results would follow in the ready adoption of it.

Cases have been found where the smoke nuisance is due to bad or careless stoking; it is essential therefore, that the best class of stokers be employed, as a poor fireman will be found not only dangerous, but also very expensive.

Up to the present time it has been the established policy of this office not to recommend devices. At the same time, the owners of plants are entitled to our advice and experience to protect themselves against the adoption of worthless devices. For this reason the endeavor is made to keep informed in regard to all devices, not alone as to temporary results so far as smoke is concerned, but also as to the permanency of the same.

In the selection of a smoke preventer, the conditions of the plant to be equipped and the type of boiler to be used, must be carefully considered, and any capable engineer can solve the problem after an examination of the various types, a list of which is readily furnished on application, and the advice given to examine those in operation first of all. In general, each one must decide what his peculiar local conditions call for.

Among those who have equipped their plant with smoke preventers during the past year may be mentioned the following:—

Boston "Herald," Washington street.
Jordan, Marsh & Co., Washington street.
Shepard, Norwell & Co., Winter street.
Hathaway Building, Atlantic avenue.
Carter Building, Water street.
New England Building, Summer street.
Church Green Electric Lighting Co., Sullivan place.
C. A. Millen Co., Charlestown street.

The New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad have adopted the use of smokeless coal at the repair shops at the foot of Sarsfield street, and also at their steam-heating plants on Rogers avenue. Several smaller plants have adopted the use of hard coal, while many others are using a mixture of screenings with soft coal, all with good results.

COAL IMPORTATIONS.

Some attention has been given to the grades of coal commonly in use, and, as it seemed to be doubtful if sulphurous mines could be safely utilized in the city limits, some inquiry was made as to how far Dominion coal was being adopted.

The following table shows the number of tons and value of importations of Nova Scotia coal recorded at the port of Boston for the year ending Jan. 31, 1897, the main portion of which is used outside the city limits:—

MONTH.	Tons.	Value.
February.. .. .	1,670	\$3,006
March.....	—	—
April.....	2,126	3,827
May.....	2,800	5,040
June.....	4,333	7,779
July.....	1,188	2,138
August.....	7,877	14,181
September.....	10,841	19,514
October.....	8,066	13,105
November.....	10,793	17,090
December.....	2,064	3,092
January, 1897.....	4,890	8,519
Total.....	56,648	\$97,311

BOILER APPLICATIONS.

With a view of providing against future smoke nuisances the department found it necessary to insist that all new boilers erected in the city be properly equipped, if soft coal was to be used. This was done with the co-operation of the building department, and during the past year 331 applications have been received and disposed of as follows:—

Hot-water heaters, furnaces, etc.	245
Signed to use hard coal	35
Adopted smoke devices	31
Screenings and soft coal mixed	9
Applications withdrawn	3
Oil engines	2
Gas engine	1
Engine	1
Board of Appeal	1
Duplicate	1
Unsigned	2
Total	331

In order that parties signing to use hard coal may be made to live up to their agreement, frequent visits to the plants are made, as a few cases have been found violating the same.

Plants equipped with devices are also visited with a view of seeing that the same are properly manipulated and not shut off, as all devices are more or less at the mercy of the stoker.

SPECIAL REPORTS.

The following special reports have been made from time to time : —

February 6. Report with observations on plant of the F. L. Ames estate, corner Lincoln and Tufts streets.

February 21. Report on complaint against the Bogart Steam Laundry, 205 Florence street, Roslindale.

March 27. Report with observations on plant of Jordan, Marsh & Co., Avon street.

April 14. Report on complaint against Houghton & Dutton, Tremont street.

April 21. Report with observations on plant of Mr. G. D. Hill, 13 Randolph street.

May 4. Report with observations on plant of Shepard, Norwell & Co., Winter street.

May 4. Report on complaint against house chimney attached to L of estate, 22 Kingston street, Charlestown.

June 19. Report with observations on plant of the Boston "Herald," Williams court.

June 22. Report on complaint against Messrs. Krey & Co., 11 Province court.

July 3. Report on complaint against Minot estate, 113 Devonshire street.

August 3. Report on complaint against Merello's bakery, 1260 Washington street.

August 6. Report on complaint against Monks' estate, 35 Congress street.

August 12. Report on complaint against Fox's bakery, corner Edgeworth and Ferrin streets, Charlestown.

September 4. Report on complaint against Alfred Mudge & Son, 24 Franklin street.

September 22. Report on complaint against Roessle and Pfaff's breweries, Pyncheon street.

October 1. Report with observations on plant of the Charles A. Millen Company, 28 Beverly street.

October 6. Report with observations on plant of the Hathaway building, 620 Atlantic avenue.

October 8. Report on complaint against the Church Green Electric Lighting Company, Sullivan place.

October 22. Report with observations on the New England building, 180 Summer street.

November 5. Report on complaint against the Homœopathic Hospital, Albany street.

November 10. Report on complaint against the repair shop of the N. Y., N. H. & H. R.R., foot of Sarsfield street.

November 18. Report with observations on plant of Swain, Earle & Co., 67 Commercial street.

November 23. Report on complaint against the Minot estate, J. S. Pushee & Sons, lessees, 9-13 Randolph street.

November 24. Report with observations on plant of the Church Green Electric Lighting Company, Sullivan place.

December 7. Report with observations on plant of the Star brewery, Shirley street.

December 17. Report on complaint against Osgood & Hart, Sherman square, Charlestown.

SUMMARY.

The following is a brief summary of the work for the year ending Jan. 31, 1897: —

Number of boiler permits acted upon	331
Number agreeing to burn hard coal	280
Number adopting smoke devices	31
Number of short observations taken	285
Number of observations lasting from 5 to 9 hours	44
Number of special reports made	26

GENERAL SUMMARY.

It would be somewhat difficult to indicate by statistics, however carefully gathered, the extent of the work done by this office since its organization in August, 1893, but the following figures are given as possessing public interest: —

Number of boiler plants inspected	325
Number found equipped with smoke devices	16
Number since equipped	59
Number of short observations taken	601
Number of observations lasting from 5 to 9 hours	108
Number of new boiler permits acted upon	549
Number agreeing to burn hard coal	449
Number of new boilers equipped with smoke devices	62

In addition to the above, a large number of plants are burning hard coal screenings mixed with soft coal, and some to avoid any further trouble preferred to burn hard coal entirely.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS F. KELLEY,

Chief Inspector.

APPENDIX J.

FORMER SUPERINTENDENTS AND DOCUMENT
NUMBERS OF ANNUAL REPORTS.**Bridge Department before 1891.***Previous to 1886, under charge of City Engineer.*

NAME.	Year.
Bartholomew M. Young	1886 to 1889
James H. Nugent	1889 to 1891

Bridge Department before 1891.

NAME OF DOCUMENT.	For Year.	Pub. Year.	No. of Doc.
Annual Report	1886	1887	29
“ “	1887	1888	26
“ “	1888	1889	29
“ “	1889	1890	22
“ “	1890	1891	*

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Paving Department before 1891.

NAME.	Year.
Enoch Patterson, Supt. Streets and Drains	1827 to 1831
Zephaniah Sampson, “ “ “ “	1831 to 1846
Thomas Hunting, Superintendent	1846 to 1853
Alfred T. Turner, “	1853 to 1864
Charles Harris, “	1864 to 1883
Nehemiah T. Merritt, “	1883
James J. Flynn, “	1883
Charles Harris, “	1884
Michael Meehan, “	1884 to 1886
John W. McDonald, “	1886 to 1889
J. Edwin Jones, “	1889 to 1891

Paving Department before 1891.

NAME OF DOCUMENT.	For Year.	Pub. Year.	No. of Doc.
Quarterly Report . . . . .	. . .	1851	6
“ “ . . . . .	. . .	1851	29
Annual Report	1851	1852	2
“ “	1852	1853	6
“ “	1853	1854	6
“ “	1854	1855	5
“ “	1855	1856	3
“ “	1856	1857	3
“ “	1857	1858	3
“ “	1858	1859	5
“ “	1859	1860	6
“ “	1860	1861	5
“ “	1861	1862	4
“ “	1862	1863	3
“ “	1863	1864	3
“ “	1864	1865	7
“ “	1865	1866	3
“ “	1866	1867	6
“ “	1867	1868	9
“ “	1868	1869	14
“ “	1869	1870	13
“ “	1870	1871	12
“ “	1871	1872	16
“ “	1872	1873	21
“ “	1873	1874	25
“ “	1874	1875	27
“ “	1875	1876	30
“ “	1876	1877	38
“ “	1877	1878	29
“ “	1878	1879	24
“ “	1879	1880	24
“ “	1880	1881	48
“ “	1881	1882	51
“ “	1882	1883	47
“ “	1883	1884	46
“ “	1884	1885	97
“ “	1885	1886	30
“ “	1886	1887	16
“ “	1887	1888	23
“ “	1888	1889	30
“ “	1889	1890	19
“ “	1890	1891	*

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Sewer Department before 1891.

NAME.	Year.
Enoch Patterson, Superintendent	1827 to 1831
Zephaniah Sampson	1831 to 1837
Charles B. Wells	1837 to 1856
Simeon B. Smith	1856 to 1863
William H. Bradley	1863 to 1883
Horace A. Moses	1883 to 1885
Thomas J. Young	1885 to 1887
Seth Perkins	1887 to 1889
Charles Morton	1889 to 1891

Sewer Department before 1891.

NAME OF DOCUMENT.	For Year.	Pub. Year.	No. Doc.
Annual Report	1859	1861	11
" "	1860	1861	12
" "	1861	1862	12
" "	1862	1863	13
" "	1863	1864	11
" "	1864	1865	5
" "	1865	1866	6
" "	1866	1867	8
" "	1867	1868	13
" "	1868	1869	11
" "	1869	1870	3
" "	1870	1871	11
" "	1871	1872	10
" "	1872	1873	13
" "	1873	1874	12
" "	1874	1875	17
" "	1875	1876	11
" "	1876	1877	13
" "	1877	1878	15
" "	1878	1879	11
" "	1879	1880	16
" "	1880	1881	19
" "	1881	1882	18
" "	1882	1883	16
" "	1883	1884	43
" "	1884	1885	
" "	1885	1886	58
" "	1886	1887	69
" "	1887	1888	81
" "	1888	1889	129
" "	1889	1890	14
" "	1890	1891	*

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Health Department before 1891.

Sanitary.

NAME.	Year.
Ezra Forristall, Superintendent	1853 to 1854
Joseph W. Coburn, "	1854 to 1855
Ezra Forristall, "	1855 to 1869
George W. Forristall, "	1869 to 1890

Health Department before 1891.

Sanitary.

NAME OF DOCUMENT.	Year.	Pub. Year.	No. of Doc.
Annual Report	1853	1854	7
" "	1854	1855	6
" "	1855	1856	4
" "	1856	1857	4
" "	1857	1858	4
" "	1858	1859	4
" "	1859	1860	5
" "	1860	1861	6
" "	1861	1862	5
" "	1862	1863	5
" "	1863	1864	4
" "	1864	1865	4
" "	1865	1866	8
" "	1866	1867	7
" "	1867	1868	8
" "	1868	1869	12
" "	1869	1870	4
" "	1870	1871	10
" "	1871	1872	17
" "	1872	1873	40
Annual Report from 1873 to 1884, inclusive; the Superintendent's report was embodied in the Report of the Board of Health	1885	1886	45
Annual Report	1886	1887	22
" "	1887	1888	16
" "	1888	1889	23
" "	1889	1890	21
" "	1890	1891	*

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Commissioners of Cambridge Bridges before 1891.

(West Boston, Canal, and Prison Point.)

NAME.	YEAR.
Frederick W. Lincoln, Commissioner for Boston .	{ May 22, 1871, to March, 1891.
Ezra Parmenter, Commissioner for Cambridge .	{ June 14, 1871, to Jan. 31, 1883.
William J. Marvin, Commissioner for Cambridge .	{ March 28, 1883, to present time.

NOTE.—Harvard Bridge added in 1892.

Commissioners of Cambridge Bridges before 1891.

(West Boston, Canal, and Prison Point.)

NAME OF DOCUMENT.	For Year.	Pub. Year.	No. of Doc.
Annual Report	1871	1872	19
“ “	1872	1873	12
“ “	1873	1874	16
“ “	1874	1875	23
“ “	1875	1876	20
“ “	1876	1877	12
“ “	1877	1878	10
“ “	1878	1879	8
“ “	1879	1880	12
“ “	1880	1881	8
“ “	1881	1882	15
“ “	1882	1883	15
“ “	1883	1884	19
“ “	1884	1885	8
“ “	1885	1886	12
“ “	1886	1887	19
“ “	1887	1888	25
“ “	1888	1889	22
“ “	1889	1890	20
“ “	1890	1891	*

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Ferry Department before 1895.

NAME.	YEAR.
Board of Ferry Directors	1870 1891
William J. Burke, Superintendent	1891 May 1, 1895.
Thomas Kellough “	May 1, 1895. July 1, 1895.

Ferry Department before 1895.

NAME OF DOCUMENT.	For Year.	Pub. Year.	No. of Doc.
Annual Report	1870	1871	41
" "	1871	1872	55
" "	1872	1873	81
" "	1873	1874	42
" "	1874	1875	65
" "	1875	1876	51
" "	1876	1877	53
" "	1877	1878	49
" "	1878	1879	60
" "	1879	1880	74
" "	1880	1881	77
" "	1881	1882	72
" "	1882	1883	93
" "	1883	1884	76
" "	1884	1885	72
" "	1885	1886	28
" "	1886	1887	12
" "	1887	1888	10
" "	1888	1889	3
" "	1889	1890	4
" "	1890	1891	*
" "	1891	1892	12
" "	1892	1893	11
" "	1893	1894	11
" "	1894	1895	11

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Street Department since 1891.

Superintendent.

Henry H. Carter, Member of American Society Civil Engineers.
Resigned Dec. 8, 1894.

Charles R. Cutter, *Acting Superintendent from Dec. 8, 1894, to Jan. 14, 1895.*
 Member of the Boston Society Civil Engineers.

Bertrand T. Wheeler, *Superintendent from Jan. 14, 1895, to Feb. 4, 1896.*
 Member of the Boston Society Civil Engineers.

Benjamin W. Wells, *Superintendent from Feb. 4, 1896, to the present time.*

Executive Engineer.

Henry B. Wood, Member American Society Civil Engineers.

Engineer of Construction.

Nathan S. Brock, *from March 1 to June 1, 1896.*
 Member of the Boston Society Civil Engineers.



